

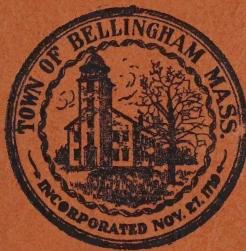
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For the year ending December 31, 1938

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IN MEMORIAM

ADDISON E. BULLARD



School Committee 1883-1886

Selectman 1895-1899

State Representative 1906-1907

Chairman, Liberty Loan Drive in World War

Sponsor in publication of
Bellingham Town History, 1919

Born on March 7, 1855

Died on December 9, 1938

ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1938

Selectmen

PAUL ROBIDOUX, Chairman
JOHN J. CLANCY
WALTER W. LEBLANC

Moderator

LIONEL R. TRUDEAU*

Town Clerk

LEO A. GOSSELIN

Town Treasurer

LEO A. MURRAY

Collector of Taxes

JOSEPH O. FLEUETTE

Assessors of Taxes

CLARENCE W. HOYT, Chairman
TIMOTHY F. ALLEN
CARROLL F. WHITE

Board of Public Welfare

HENRI E. TRUDEAU, Chairman
EDWARD M. REID
WALTER P. LEWINSKY

School Committee

DANIEL J. BREEN, Chairman
LESTER W. LATAILLE
LIONEL R. TRUDEAU**

Tree Warden

LEWIS E. WHITNEY

*Resigned.

**Resigned and Albert A. Boudreau was appointed to fill
vacancy.

Constables

FABIAN CHAMBERLAND JOHN HOOHAY
EUCLIDE A. FLEUETTE JOHN H. FOLEY

Cemetery Committee

LEWIS E. WHITNEY
GEORGE LAKEMAN
WILLIAM F. WALES

Public Library Trustees

SARA A. PERRY KATHRYN E. GARRIE PY
ALICE LUSSIER MARY E. COOK
AGNES E. HOBART SUSIE C. FAIRBANKS

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICERS For The YEAR 1938

Clerk of the Board of Selectmen

LEO A. STEARNS

W. P. A. Co-ordinator

LEO A. STEARNS

Town Accountant

WILLIAM W. FAIRBANKS

Superintendent of Streets

TIMOTHY E. FOLEY

Chief of Police

EUCLIDE A. FLEUETTE

Deputy Chief of Police

JOHN H. FOLEY

Chief of the Fire Department

WASYL KORNICKI

Sealer of Weights and Measures

ULRIC TRUDEAU

Town Counsel

LEO A. GOSSELIN

Registrars of Voters

MICHAEL F. RYAN

HARLAN E. COOK

ARTHUR M. LECLAIRE

Inspector of Animals

MATTHEW MOONEY

Inspector of Slaughtering

EUGENE SWEENEY

Inspector of Milk

MATTHEW MOONEY

Dog Officer

NORBERT GRENIER

Forest Fire Warden

EDGAR C. SCOTT

Moth Superintendent

LEWIS E. WHITNEY

Janitor of Town Hall

HARTWELL V. ESTY

Workmen's Compensation Agent

WILLIAM W. FAIRBANKS

Police Officers

FABIAN CHAMBERLAND	JOHN HOOTHAY
LEO GODIN	JOHN O'OURKE
CARLTON GASKILL	JOHN F. MURPHY
ROY ADAMS	DONAT DALPE
LEO POWERS	JOHN F. MURPHY
ADRIEN TRUDEAU	ROGER RUE
LEOPOLD CAYA	EDWARD LEVESQUE
TIMOTHY RIORDAN	ARSENE BEAUDET
BENJAMIN BALDIGA	OMER HARPIN
DENNIS MURPHY	FRED WHALEN
WILLIAM SIMS	EUGENE B. RIORDAN
	ULRIC TRUDEAU

Agent for Care of Indigent Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves

WILLIAM SIMS

Agent for Burial of Indigent Soliders and Sailors

WILLIAM SIMS

Memorial Day Committee

WILLIAM SIMS FRED WHALEN JAMES YATES

Sextons

WILLIAM F. WALES GEORGE W. LAKEMAN
LEWIS E. WHITNEY

Fence Viewers and Field Drivers

CLARENCE W. HOYT EDMUND GOGGIN
LEWIS E. WHITNEY

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

ELLSWORTH R. CROOKS ARTHUR A. RHODES
EDMUND GOGGIN

Public Weighers

RUEL S. THAYER ALFRED CARRIER
ERNEST BELCHER THEODORE CARRIER
L. FRANCIS THAYER AARON W. HOBART

JURY LIST FOR THE YEAR 1938

Brais, Edward, laborer, Paine St.
Bernier, Gabriel, mechanic, Winter St.
Crooks, Ellsworth R., lumber dealer, Cross St.
Collamati, Joseph, grocer, Locust St.
Dalpe, Donat, textile worker, Wrentham St.
Dee, John Leo, textile worker, Maple St.
Daigle Louis, musician, South Main St.
Dolan, James E., shoe worker, Maple St.
Dupre, Omer, clerk, Suffolk St.
Furlong, Walter, farmer, Hartford Ave.
Gaskill, Chester, textile worker, Mechanic St.
Godin, Alfred, carpenter, Prospect St.
Grenier, Norbert, insurance agent, Irving St.
Kozimor, Albert, laborer, Governor Ave.
Kwiatkowski, Peter, textile worker, Suffolk St.
Laplante, Donat, textile worker, Elbow St.
Locklin, Francis, textile worker, Trenton St.
Lewinski, Walter, textile worker, Maple St.
Mowry, Raymond, carpenter, South Main St.
Mahon, Thomas, textile worker, Pearl St.
Meotti, Otto J., clerk, Cross St.
Mulvee, Joseph, clerk, Hartford Ave.
Nason, J. Ralph, farmer, Mechanic St.
Pellan, Hervey, mechanic, Center St.

Powers, Leo, textile worker, South Main St.
O'Rouke, John E., textile worker, Maple St.
Kiernan, Patrick, waiter, Beach St.
Remillard, Zephirin, salesman, Bellingham St.
Rowse, Chester, farmer, South Main St.
Spear, William A., groundkeeper, Hartford Ave.
Sawyer, John, textile worker, Hartford Ave.
Trudeau, Lionel R., teacher, Center St.
Turcotte, Alfred, laborer, Elbow St.
Weaver, Michael L., textile worker, Hartford Ave.
Yates, James, laborer, North Main St.

**DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN BELLINGHAM
FOR THE COUNTY OF NORFOLK**

From January 1, 1938, to December 31, 1938

Males—212 at	\$2.00	\$424.00
Females—34 at	5.00	170.00
Spayed—36 at	2.00	72.00
		\$666.00
Clerk's fees—282 at	20c	56.40
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Paid Town Treasurer		\$609.60

**LICENSES ISSUED FOR THE DIVISION OF
FISHERIES AND GAME**

From January 1, 1938, to December 31, 1938

163	Resident Fishing at	\$2.00	\$326.00
24	Resident Hunting	2.00	48.00
36	Resident Sporting	3.25	117.00
34	Residents Minor and Women		
	Fishing	1.25	42.00
4	Resident Trapping	5.25	21.00
6	Non-Resident 3-day fishing	1.50	9.00
51	Non-Resident Fishing	5.25	267.75
10	Non-Resident Hunting	10.25	102.50
4	Non-Resident Sporting	15.25	61.00

3	Duplicate50	1.50
6	Free Resident Sporting		
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341			\$996.25
Clerk's fees—322 at 25c			83.00
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Paid Division of Fisheries and Game			\$913.25

Miscellaneous

1	Town History		\$ 1.50
	Paid Town Treasurer		\$ 1.50
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3	Certificates of Registration of Gasoline Permits, at 50c.		\$ 1.50
	Paid Town Treasurer		\$ 1.50
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	Telephone Tolls for the year 1938		\$11.05
	Paid Town Treasurer		\$11.05

BIRTHS RECORDED IN BELLINGHAM IN 1938

Date	Name	Name of Parents
January		
9	Rocco Ferragi	Charles and Mary (Pirgola)
11	Margaret Eileen Murphy	John F. and Doris Y. (Coutu)
14	Robert Allan Copeland	Lawrence and Florence (Briggs)
15	Ronald David Smith	Edward and Ella (Pepin)
21	Brenda Louise Worrall	Herbert E. and Doris V. (Barrows)
February		
10	Marie Jeanne Chamberland	Nester and Rhea (Bernier)
13	Claire Pauline Desmarais	Clovis and Anastasie (Bernier)
25	Constance Archambault	Aram and Lucille (Dèbigare)
March		
1	Kenneth Edward Burrows	William and Margaret (Powers)
4	Chester Harry Henschel	Frederick and Jennie (Baldiga)
18	Franklin D. Roosevelt Loya	George and Cora (Swenor)
25	————— Parenteau	Charles and Anna (Gill)
May		
3	Janice May Leveille	Earl and Mary (Kupnicki)
7	Robert Stanley Mowry	Clifford and Josephine (Ankiewicz)
17	Helen Pauline Meade	George and Helen (Janiszewski)
21	Vivianne Marie Brisson	Gerard and Anita (Lefebvre)
26	————— Stanescia	Carmell and Dora (Lombardi)
June		
8	David Francis Keirstead	Frank and Blanche (Stockton)
July		
8	Arthur Boiteau	Arthur and Bertha (Beauregard)
26	Beverly Anne Godin	Willis, and Gladys (Beaubin)
20	Stillborn	

Date	Name	Name of Parents
August		
3	Godin	Walter and Cecile (Adam)
4	Leo Francis Desjarlais	Lawrence and Anna (Powers)
7	Muriel Helen Dalpe	Sylvio and Helen (Marchand)
9.	Carol Joan Locklin	Francis and Dorothy (Murray)
16	Marie Ann Montuori	William and Helen (Stockton)
18	Henry Rene Cote	Anthony and Claire (Racine)
24	Kemp	Rene and Florence (Landry)
30	Normand Andre Trudeau	Rosario and Marguerite (Hemond)
31	Carol Ann Newton	Raymond and Hannak K. (Stewart)
September		
1	Jean Ann Wright	Charles and Emily (Smith)
14	Eva Constance Lemire	Henry and Viola (St. Amant)
23	Madeline Laure Gauthier	George and Jeannette (Lemay)
29	Stillborn	
October		
17	George James Nason	J. Ralph and Bridget (Carey)
18	Thomas James Armstrong	Adam and Dorothea (Carney)
November		
15	Raymond Arthur Rhodes	Eugene and Jane (Streeter)
16	Barbara Sue McCadam	Robert and Jean (Stasiak)
23	Carol Ann Valati	Levio and Elizabeth (Haynes)
December		
5	Normand Henri Trudeau	Oscar and Jeannette (Plante)
6	Victor Raymond Mandeville	Stanley, and Louise (Bessette)
9	Beauregard	Honore and Angelina (Garneau)
12	Rene Hector Boiteau	Aldege and Alice (Ricquer)
17	Edward Cote	Alfred and Lianne (Racine)
27	Majeau	Ovila and Eleonne (Laplante)

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN BELLINGHAM IN 1938

Date	Name	Residence	Married by
January			
8	Lawrence Desjarlais Anna R. Powers	Burrillville, R. I. Bellingham	Rev. Albert A. Bergeron in Bellingham
17	Clifford C. Mowry Josephine F. Ankiewicz	Bellingham N. Smithfield, R.I.	Charles W. Gould, J. P. in Milford
22	Frank P. Lewinsky Mary Elizabeth Dore	Milford Bellingham	Rev. Theodore J. Seckel in Bellingham
29	Fordys A. Arnold Mary A. Stewart	Bellingham Blackstone	Rev. Clarence E. Cham- belain in Bellingham
February			
5	Antonio Willis Godin Gladys Louise Beaubin	Bellingham Woonsocket, R.I.	Rev. William J. Raiche in Woonsocket, R. I.
12	Joseph Aime Lussier Jeanne Alice Beausoleil	Woonsocket, R.I. Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
12	Walter H. Blidberg Charlotte Clang	Bellingham Bellingham	Rev. Merton E. Libby in Medway
28	Anthony Campano Amelia Acquilatti	Bellingham Providence, R.I.	Rev. Flaminio Parenti in Providence
April			
4	Aldor Latendresse Georgianna Richard	Bellingham Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
23	Roland G. Heneault Gilberte F. Pelland	Woonsocket, R.I. Bellingham	Rev. Albert A. Bergeron in Bellingham
23	Eugene O. Thuot Marie Aline Monty	Blackstone Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
28	Peter Svyzek Stella Pawluk	Uxbridge Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
June			
2	Valmore M. Carignan Evelyn I. Guyette	Woonsocket, R.I. Bellingham	Rev. R. G. Carignan in Nashua, N. H.
4	Eugene Larochelle Therese Mondor	Bellingham Blackstone	Rev. T. A. Demers in Blackstone
6	Leo A. Gosselin Therese Godbout	Bellingham Blackstone	Rev. T. A. Demers in Blackstone

Date	Name	Residence	Married by
12	Martin Glockher Julia Kozak	Bellingham Bellingham	Rev. Merton E. Libby in Medway
11	Raymond Kucharsky Mary Lucy Coricelli	Bellingham Woonsocket, R.I.	Rev. Mariano LaGiglia in Woonsocket, R. I.
18	Emile Alcide Brien Emma Amanda Mercure	Woonsocket, R.I. Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
18	Elmer Chandler Mary Slobogan	Bellingham Blackstone	Rev. F. Miklaszeski in Woonsocket, R. I.
19	Anthony DiTomaso Filomena DiPietro	Lynn Bellingham	Rev. Julius Valentinelli in Milford
25	Edward T. Aubin Alphonsine Noella Richer	Pascoag, R.I. Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham

July

15	Robert Schafer Bertha Bebchick	Bellingham Boston	Rabbi J. M. Jacobson in Boston
16	Alexander F. Laime Isabel C. Barbosa	Bellingham Woonsocket, R.I.	Rev. Lionel Dion in Woonsocket, R. I.
17	Lawrence H. Gardner Martha A. Hall	Bellingham Bellingham	Leo A. Gosselin, J. P. in Bellingham
16	J. Viateur Sevigny Alice Savoie	Woonsocket, R.I. Woonsocket, R.I.	Rev. Clarence E. Chamberlain in Bellingham
26	Russell R. Berard Irene C. Guerin	Woonsocket, R.I. Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
26	Joseph A. Carter Caroline Stockton	Hopedale Bellingham	Rev. G. Edgar Wolfe In Milford
31	Clinton R. Copeland Dorothy A. Shannon	Bellingham Bellingham	Leo A. Gosselin, J. P. in Bellingham

August

27	Armand J. Lariviere Therese E. Boisclair	Bellingham Woonsocket, R.I.	Rev. S. Grenier in Woonsocket, R. I.
27	Raymond Ducharme Evelyn Cormier	Woonsocket, R.I. Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
29	Joseph J. Woodman Leona M. Moore	Bellingham Bellingham	Rev. G. Edgar Wolfe in Milford

Date	Name	Residence	Married by
September			
3	Albert Lussier Anita Roy	Bellingham Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
3	Arthur Fluette Clara Desmarais	Bellingham Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
3	Henry F. St. John Mary Grace McCarthy	Bellingham Newton	Rev. John J. Ryan in Newton
3	Edmond H. Sylvestre Eva L. Therien	Bellingham Woonsocket, R.I.	Rev. Ernest Morin in Woonsocket, R. I.
24	Alfred Marzetta Anna Waszkiewicz	Milford Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
October			
8	Gordon David Dore Lucy Novack	Bellingham Uxbridge	Rev. Richard D. Murphy in Uxbridge
15	John Sorenson Jeanne Benharris	Providence, R.I. Providence, R.I.	Leo A. Gosselin, J. P. in Bellingham
15	Charles Olbrys Amelia Glowka	Chelsea Bellingham	Rev. H. M. Tatten in Bellingham
22	Lionel Dauphin Stella Scoira	Bellingham Woonsocket, R.I.	Rev. William Barker in Woonsocket, R. I.
November			
2	Eugene C. Babcock Beatrice W. Wiggin	Bellingham Bellingham	George S. Bent, J. P. in Medway
5	Amleto Meotti Rosa Visona	Putnam, Conn. Bellingham	Leo A. Gosselin, J. P. in Bellingham
11	Walter H. Spieler Ruth Wentzell	Bellingham Bellingham	Rev. Merton E. Libby in Bellingham
12	Michael T. Kelleher Gladys M. Bourbeau	Bellingham Franklin	Rev. Edward Galvin in Franklin
12	Joseph B. Champagne Phyllis E. Whitney	Sutton Sutton	Rev. Clarence E. Chamberlain in Bellingham
19	Norman E. Robeck Hael E. Woodworth	Portsmouth, N.H. Bellingham	Rev. Clarence E. Chamberlain in Bellingham
19	Clifford F. Burton Eva Marguerite Scherf	Meriden, Conn. Meriden, Conn.	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham

Date	Name	Residence	Married by
19	Arthur E. St. John Madeline C. Treiber	Manchester, Conn. Meriden, Conn.	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
19	Ernest Thifault, Jr. Doris E. Courtemanche	Woonsocket, R.I. Woonsocket, R.I.	Rev. Clarence E. Chamberlain in Bellingham
24	Leo A. Garneau Marie Antoinette Monty	Newport, R. I. Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
24	William A. Leduc Florence L. Carrier	Burrillville, R. I. Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham
24	Daniel M. Toporowski Velma P. Starzak	Cumberland, R.I. Bellingham	Rev. F. Miklaszeski in Woonsocket, R. I.
26	John William Foley Angeline L. Iannetti	Bellingham Milford	Rev. John L. Ecker in Milford
26	Edward J. Leahy Ruth M. Moynihan	Bellingham Maynard	Rev. James P. Sherry in Maynard
26	Gaston Levitre Bertha Doris Godin	Woonsocket, R.I. Bellingham	Rev. Charles B. Moisan in Bellingham

December

3	John Walter Burness Olga Irene Tucker	Spencer	Rev. Ralph S. Huffer in Spencer
30	James S. Stillman Elizabeth Morrow	Stonington, Conn.	Leo A. Gosselin, J. P. Stonington, Conn. in Bellingham

DEATHS RECORDED IN BELLINGHAM IN 1938

Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death
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January

1 Joseph N. Couture	65	6	8	Hemorrhage
4 John J. McMahon	71	6	8	Myocarditis
4 Hazel Mary Wilson	0	0	1	Premature birth
5 Alfred J. Corey	69	0	0	Prostate obstruction
23 Mary Jennings	49	8	30	Cancer

February

7 Jacqueline Deguire	36	3	18	Nephritis
8 Marcelia L. Gardner	62	8	8	Pneumonia
13 Jeanne Chamberland	0	0	3	Hemorrhage
14 Christopher J. Gahagan	73	4	1	Cerebral hemorrhage

March

4 Bertha M. Eccleston	46	0	5	Cerebral hemorrhage
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April

2 Rose Anna Champagne	65	5	28	Cerebral hemorrhage
5 Melissa R. Holbrook	91	2	8	Cerebral hemorrhage
9 Arnold W. Angell	62	4	29	Aneurysm of Thorax

May

18 Ellen M. Cross	59	6	30	Cancer of Lung
19 Celina Casavant	71	7	1	Myocarditis
24 John C. Elders	28	4	1	Barbital poisoning
25 Murdock W. Melrose	47	4	24	Arteriosclerosis

June

2 Marie Anne Caron	89	11	0	Arteriosclerosis
10 Maurice Dooling	76	3	27	Arteriosclerosis

Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death
July					
6	Margaret A. Gallagher	83	8	2	Arteriosclerosis
8	John E. Gallagher	67	2	15	Myocarditis
8	Arthur Boiteau	0	2	15	Premature birth
29	Mary J. Fitzpatrick	62	0	0	Cardias failure
30	Stillborn				Premature birth
August					
4	Rosabelle Bates	83	7	24	Arteriosclerosis
8	Janice May Leveille		4	5	Nephritis
28	James E. Roch	16	0	0	Endocarditis
September					
20	Francois Boiteau	65	1	26	Cancer of Bladder
26	Georgette D. Boiteau	7	4	18	Appendicitis
29	Stillborn				Premature birth
October					
20	Mabelle C. Fisher	56	2	14	Cancer of Stomach
November					
8	Eulalie Lariviere	33	4	27	Multiple burns
10	John Foley	78	0	0	Arteriosclerosis
December					
1	Helen M. Cook	74	11	9	Diabetes
3	John E. O'Rourke	64	9	19	Lobar pneumonia
5	Judson E. Camp	86	3	0	Uremia
9	Addison E. Bullard	83	9	2	Myocarditis

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham:

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in Elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in Precinct No. 1, at the school-house in Precinct No. 2, and at the Community Building in Precinct No. 3 in said Bellingham, on

MONDAY, MARCH 7, A. D. 1938

at twelve o'clock noon

for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes upon one ballot to the Election Officers for the following Town Officers:

Moderator, for the term of one year.

Town Clerk, for the term of one year.

Town Treasurer, for the term of one year.

Three Selectmen, for the term of one year.

Assessor of Taxes, for the term of three years.

Collector of Taxes, for the term of one year.

One member of the School Committee, for the term of three years.

One member of the School Committee, for the term of two years (to fill unexpired term).

One member of the Board of Public Welfare, for the term of three years.

Treasury Warden, for the term of one year.

One member of the Cemetery Committee, for the term of three years.

Four Constables, for the term of one year.

Two Library Trustees, for the term of three years.

The polls will open at twelve o'clock noon and will close at eight o'clock in the evening.

SUBSEQUENT MEETING

And also to meet in the Town Hall in said Bellingham
on

THURSDAY, March 10, A. D. 1938

at 7:30 P. M. in the evening

then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear reports of the several Boards and other Town Officers and act thereon.

Article 2. To vote appropriations for the following purposes, or to act or do anything in relation thereto:

1. Moderator's Salary.
2. Finance Committee.
3. Selectmen's Department.
4. Accountant's Department.
5. Treasurer's Department.
6. Tax Collector's Department.
7. Assessor's Department.
8. Certifying Notes.
9. Town Clerk's Department.
10. Election and Registration.
11. Town Hall.
12. Community Building.
13. Police Department.
14. Fire Department.
15. Sealer of Weights and Measurers.
16. Moth Extermination.
17. Tree Warden.
18. Forest Fires.
19. Health.
20. Maintenance Norfolk County Hospital.
21. Highways General Repairs.
22. Bridges and Railings.
23. Snow Removal.
24. Signs and Guideboards.
25. Street Lighting.
26. Public Welfare.
27. Mother's Aid.
28. Old Age Assistance.
29. Solider's Relief.
30. School Department.
31. Vocational Training.
32. Library.
33. Printing Town Reports.
34. Memorial Day.
35. Unclassified.
36. Cemeteries.
37. Interest.
38. Reserve Fund.
39. Maturing Debt.
40. Damages to Persons and Property.
41. Highways Chapter 90.
42. Legal Department.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1939 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any notes or note as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a Town truck or trucks.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to change the term of the office of the Selectmen from one to three years, effective as of the date of the annual Town meeting, in March 1939; each Selectman elected as of that date to hold office one, two, and three years respectively, and thereafter, upon the expiration of their individual term, the Selectmen elected shall hold office for the term of three years.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, said sum of money to be under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen to pay for materials, supplies, and other expenditures necessary to carry on W. P. A. or other Federal Projects, or to act or do anything relative thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars, to be used in conjunction with state and county funds, for work to be done on Wrentham St., or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the operation of road equipment, said sum to be raised by the transfer from available funds in the machinery revenue account or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Public Welfare to purchase office furniture and equipment amounting to (\$200.00) two hundred dollars, said money to be taken from the annual appropriation for Public Welfare or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise the salary of the clerk of the Board of Public Welfare from three dollars per week to (\$9.00) per week, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to accept the deed and lay-out of two streets in the Southern part of Bellingham, known as Pleasant and Lafayette Streets, or to act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money approximately (\$3,500.00) Thirty Five Hundred Dollars, to pay bills incurred in prior years but not paid.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept the deed and lay-out of two streets known as California Avenue and Dewey Street, or to act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to have the sale or disposition of any property now owned, or which may be acquired by the Town, decided by a vote of the Town, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to require the several departments of the town, to make an inventory of all property and equipment under their jurisdiction as of January first of each year, and file same with the Town Accountant, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the School Committee to advertise for bids and to contract for all transportation requirements, and to award such contracts to the lowest responsible bidder, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see whether the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain those certain lots of land located on the east side of South Main Street and adjacent to the High School grounds, and known as the Messerre, Kemp and Belleville lots, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 18. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money toward the purchase or taking by eminent domain, of the land referred to in article 17 of the warrant, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this THIRTY-FIRST day of January, A. D. 1938.

PAUL ROBIDOUX, Chairman
WALTER D. RICHARD
EDMUND GOGGIN
Selectmen of Bellingham.

RETURN ON WARRANT

Norfolk ss.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified the inhabitants of Bellingham to meet at the time, place and for the purpose within stated by posting attested copies of said warrant at all designated places seven days before said meeting.

Attest:

JOHN H. FOLEY,
Constable of Bellingham.

THE VOTE

Town Election, March 7, 1938

Precincts	1	2	3	Totals
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Moderator

Lionel R. Trudeau	166	211	535	912
Stanley J. Antosh	0	0	14	14
William W. Fairbanks	0	0	3	3
Blanks	103	44	137	284
 Totals	 269	 255	 689	 1213

Town Clerk

Frank O. Arnold	69	17	122	208
Leo A. Gosselin	175	212	537	924
Blanks	25	26	30	81
 Totals	 269	 255	 689	 1213

Town Treasurer

Donat Laplante	93	30	296	419
Leo A. Murray	130	200	359	689
Blanks	46	25	34	105
 Totals	 269	 255	 689	 1213

Selectmen (3)

Herbert H. Ambler	99	64	186	349
George A. Arnold	92	21	180	293
John J. Clancy	152	223	368	743

Willie J. Jodoin	77	25	272	374
Walter W. Leblanc	102	150	409	661
Paul Robidoux	158	190	483	831
Blanks	127	92	169	388
Totals	807	765	2067	3639

Board of Public Welfare

Walter P. Lewinsky	90	220	347	657
Reginald H. Perkins	132	26	280	438
Blanks	47	9	62	118
Totals	269	255	689	1213

Tax Assessor

Clarence W. Hoyt	200	177	574	951
Blanks	69	78	115	262
Totals	269	255	689	1213

Tax Collector

Joseph O. Fleurette	163	220	536	919
Walter J. Hogarth	74	12	125	211
Blanks	32	23	28	83
Totals	269	255	689	1213

School Committee (3 year term)

Granville N. Douglas	148	51	218	417
Lionel R. Trudeau	98	170	448	716
Blanks	23	34	23	80
Totals	269	255	689	1213

School Committee (2 year term) to fill vacancy

Lester W. Lataille	50	135	405	590
Ruel S. Thayer	204	91	236	531
Blanks	15	29	48	92
Totals	269	255	689	1213

Tree Warden

Lewis E. Whitney	218	189	543	950
Blanks	51	66	146	263
Totals	269	255	689	1213

Library Trustees (2)

Eva. C. Angell	130	45	305	480
Kathryn E. Garriepy	95	169	350	614
Sara A. Perry	200	139	429	768
Blanks	113	157	294	564
Totals	538	510	1378	2426

Cemetery Committee

William F. Wales	204	153	543	900
Blanks	65	102	146	313
Totals	269	255	689	1213

Constables (4)

Alfred T. Alexander	52	27	190	269
Fabian Chamberland	159	170	539	868
Clinton R. Copeland	89	28	210	327
Harvey Debigare	35	11	158	204

Euclide A. Fleuette	145	167	466	778
John H. Foley	180	202	353	735
John Hoothay	91	120	298	509
Raymond T. Mowry	89	37	217	343
Blanks	236	258	325	819
Totals	1076	1020	2756	4852

Total vote cast in Precinct No. 1: 269

Total vote cast in Precinct No. 2: 255

Total vote cast in Precinct No. 3: 689

Total vote cast in town: 1213

A true copy of record.

Attest:

LEO A. GOSSELIN,

Town Clerk of Bellingham.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 10, A. D. 1938

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in Elections and Town affairs met at the Town Hall on March 10, 1938, at 7:30 P. M., and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 P. M. by Moderator Lionel R. Trudeau, followed by a reading of the warrant by Town Clerk Leo A. Gosselin.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the body of the warrant.

Article 1. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, it was voted to accept the reports of the different departments as printed in the annual Town Report.

Article 2.

Item 1. On motion of Joseph O. Fleurette, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20.00 for Moderator's Salary.

Item 2. On motion of William W. Fairbrother, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10.00 for the Finance Committee.

- Item 3. On motion of Lester W. Lataille, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$475.00 for the Selectmen's Department; the salaries to be \$75.00 for the Chairman and \$50.00 for each of the other two members.
- Item 4. On motion of Stanley J. Antosh, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the Accountant's Department; the salary of the Accountant to be at \$500.00 per year.
- Item 5. On motion of Joseph O. Fleuette, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,363.00 for the Treasurer's Department; the salary of the Treasurer to be \$300.00 per year.
- Item 6. On motion of Timothy E. Foley, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,370.00 for the Tax Collector's Department; salary of Collector to be 9-10ths of 1% of taxes levied and disposed of.
- Item 7. On motion of Timothy F. Allen, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,350.00 for the Assessor's Department; salaries of the Assessors to be at \$5.00 per day.
- Item 8. On motion of Leo A. Murray, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40.00 for Certifying Notes.

- Item 9. On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 the Town Clerk's Department; salary of Town Clerk to be \$288.00, and \$212.00 for other expenses.
- Item 10. On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$650.00 for Election and Registrations; salaries of Wardens to be at .75 per hour, and other election officials .50 per hour; salaries of Registrars to be \$30.00 each per year, and salary of the Clerk of Board of Registrars to be \$50.00.
- Item 11. On motion of Joseph O. Fleuette, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 for the Town Hall; salary of janitor to be at \$750.00 per year.
- Item 12. On motion of Stanley J. Antosh, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$275.00 for Community Building.
- Item 13. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,100.00 for the Police Department; salary of Chief to be \$600.00 per year for services and auto; salary of Dog Officer, \$50.00; and other officers to receive .50 per hour.

- Item 14. On motion of Stanley J. Antosh, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 for the Fire Department; salary of Chief to be \$200.00 per year, and other firemen to receive .75 per hour.
- Item 15. On motion of Timothy E. Foley, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Sealer of Weights and Measures; salary of Sealer to be \$60.00 per year.
- Item 16. On motion of Lester W. Lataille, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Moth Extermination.
- Item 17. On motion of Lester W. Lataille, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Tree Warden.
- Item 18. On motion of Timothy E. Foley, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Forest Fires.
- Item 19. On motion of Stanley J. Antosh, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum \$1,000.00 for Health; salary of Chairman to be \$15.00 per year, and salary of each of the other two members to be \$10.00.
- Item 20. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$977.96 for Maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital.

- Item 21. On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,750.00 for Highways, General Repairs, to be used in conjunction with State and County funds under Chapter 81.
- Item 22. On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for Bridges and Railings.
- Item 23. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for Snow Removal.
- Item 24. On motion of Joseph O. Fleurette, it was voted to pass over this article.
- Item 25. On motion of Lester W. Lataille, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,650.00 for Street Lighting.
- Item 26. On motion of Timothy E. Riordan, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,500.00 for the Welfare Department; salaries to be as follows: Chairman, \$75.00 per year; each of the other two members, \$50.00; and clerk of the Board, \$3.00 per week.
- Item 27. On motion of Timothy E. Riordan, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 for Mother's Aid.
- Item 28. On motion of Timothy E. Riordan, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,500.00 for Old Age Assistance.

- Item 29. On motion of William E. Sims, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for Soldiers' Relief.
- Item 30. On motion of Lester W. Lataille, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$51,706.00 for the School Department.
- Item 31. On motion of John L. Hunter, it was voted to pass over this item.
- Item 32. On motion of Joseph O. Fleuette, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the Library Department.
- Item 33. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$349.20 for Printing Town Reports.
- Item 34. On motion of Stanley J. Antosh, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for Memorial Day.
- Item 35. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15.00 for Unclassified.
- Item 36. On motion of Lester W. Lataille, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Cemeteries.
- Item 37. On motion of Leo A. Murray, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,300.00 for Interest.

- Item 38. On motion of Lester W. Lataille, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the Reserve Fund of the Finance Committee.
- Item 39. On motion of Leo A. Murray, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,500.00 for Maturing Debt.
- Item 40. On motion of Joseph O. Fleuette, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$550.00 for Damages to Persons and Property.
- Item 41. On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to be used in conjunction with State and County funds under Chapter 90.
- Item 42. On motion of Lester W. Lataille, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for Legal Department.
- Article 3. On motion of Leo A. Murrary, it was voted to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1939, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any notes or note as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws. Record Vote: Yes: 70; No: 0.

Article 4. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, it was voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase four town trucks, and that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated towards the purchase of said trucks.

Article 5. On motion of Walter W. Leblanc, it was voted to pass over this article.

Article 6. On motion of Stanley J. Antosh, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00, this sum to be under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, to pay for materials, supplies, and other expenditures necessary to carry on W. P. A. or other Federal projects.

Article 7. On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for work to be done on Wrentham Street, to be used in conjunction with State and County funds under Chapter 90.

Article 8. On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the Machinery Operating Account.

Article 9. On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to purchase office furniture and equipment for the Welfare Department; said office furniture to be transferred to the Selectmen's room.

Article 10. On motion of Leopold Caya, it was voted to pass over this article.

Article 11. On motion of Joseph O. Fleuette, it was voted to accept the deed and lay-out of two streets in the southern part of Bellingham, and known as Pleasant and Lafayette Streets.

Article 12. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,155.12 to pay bills incurred in prior years but not paid.

Article 13. On motion of John Hoothay, it was voted to accept the deed and lay-out of two streets known as California Avenue and Dewey Street.

Article 14. On motion of Leopold Caya, it was voted to pass over this article.

Article 15. On motion of Leopold Caya, it was voted to pass over this article.

Article 16. On motion of Leopold Caya, it was voted to pass over this article.

Article 17. On motion of Joseph O. Fleuette, it was voted to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or take by eminent domain those certain lots of land located on the east side of South Main Street and adjacent to the High School Grounds, and known as the Messerre, Kemp, and Belleville lots.

Article 18. On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 toward the purchase or taking by eminent domain of the land referred to in article 17. Record vote: Yes: 43; No: 0.

On motion of Paul Fobidoux, it was voted to dissolve the warrant at 9:25 P. M.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

LEO A. GOSSELIN

Town Clerk, Bellingham.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

April 13, 1938

Agreeable to a warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen, on April 5, 1938, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in Elections and Town affairs met at the Town Hall on April 13, 1938, at 8:00 o'clock P. M. and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 P. M. by Moderator Lionel R. Trudeau, followed by the reading of the warrant by Town Clerk Leo A. Gosselin.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the body of the warrant.

Article 1. On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for Public Welfare.

Article 2. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for Old Age Assistance.

Article 3. On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Aid to Dependent Children.

Article 4. On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Soldiers' Relief.

Article 5. On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of 3,000.00, said sum to be under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, to pay for materials, supplies, and other expenditures necessary to carry on W. P. A. or other Federal projects.

Article 6. On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to pass over this article.

Article 7. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,155.12 to pay bills incurred in prior years but not paid.

Article 8. On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to accept the deeds and lay-outs of several streets in the central part of the town, known as Charles River Grove, said streets being mapped out in the Bay State Realty Development at Charles River Grove.

Article 9. On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to accept the deed of Mann Street.

Article 10. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow the sum of \$4,000.00 in accordance with Chapter 58 of the Acts of 1938, to meet appropriations for Public Welfare, Old Age Assistance, and other appropriations for relief purposes. Vote: Yes: 32; No: 0.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to dissolve the warrant at 8:50 P. M.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

LEO A. GOSSELIN,
Town Clerk, Bellingham.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

May 9, 1938

Agreeable to a warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen, on April 29, 1938, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Town Hall on May 9, 1938, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening, and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 P. M. by Moderator Lionel R. Trudeau, followed by the reading of the warrant by Town Clerk Leo A. Gosselin.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the body of the warrant.

Article 1. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$2,236.00 for Town Trucks account; said sum to be raised by transfer from the W. P. A. appropriation.

Article 2. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for Machinery Account; said sum to be raised by transfer from Machinery Revenue Account.

Article 3. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$359.20 to pay unpaid bills of prior years.

Article 4. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to accept the deeds and lay-out of a street in the northerly part of the Town, running northerly from Maple Street and known as Ray Avenue.

On motion of William W. Fairbanks, duly seconded, it was voted to dissolve the warrant at 8:25 P. M.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

LEO A. GOSSELIN,
Town Clerk, Bellingham.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

July 11, 1938

Agreeable to a warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen, on July 2, 1938, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Town Hall on July 11, 1938, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening, and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 P. M. by Moderator Lionel R. Trudeau, followed by the reading of the warrant by Town Clerk Leo A. Gosselin.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the body of the warrant.

Article 1. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Machinery Account, said sum to be raised by transfer from the Machinery Revenue Account.

Article 2. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$102.00. to pay bills incurred in prior years but not paid, said sum to be raised by transfer from the Finance Committee's Emergency Fund.

Article 3. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30.00 to defray an overdraft by the Memorial Day Committee; said sum to be raised by transfer from the Finance Committee's Emergency Fund.

Article 4. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to authorize the Selectmen to establish sidewalks in public ways, and to assess a portion of the cost against the abutters in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 83 of the General Laws. Vote: Yes: 58; No: 41.

Article 5. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1933, as most recently amended by Chapter 57 of the Acts of 1938, for the purpose of providing funds to meet W. P. A. expenses. Vote: unanimous.

Article 6. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow the sum of Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars to provide funds for expenses of the Welfare Department, and the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars to provide funds for the Old Age Assistance Department. The aforementioned sums to be borrowed in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 58 of the Acts of 1938, Vote: unanimous.

Article 7. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to create a Water Construction Committee, said Committee to be authorized to make any and all arrangements necessary with the Federal Government to install a Town Water System; said Committee to be composed of the Board of Selectmen, namely Paul Robidoux, Walter W. Leblanc, and John J. Clancy.

Article 8. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$852.21 for the purpose of conducting a Water Engineering Survey and other expenses in connection with the establishment of a Water System, said sum to be raised by transfer from the Water System Account, and to be placed under the control of the Water Construction Committee created in Article 7 of this meeting.

Article 9. On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to appoint John J. Clancy and Walter W. Leblanc to fill the two existing vacancies on the High School Building Committee caused by the resignations of Raymond J. Stenson and Herbert H. Ambler, and to increase the High School Building Committee by appointing Lester W. Lataille and Walter Lewinski to the said committee, which was created at a Special Town Meeting held on December 29, 1936, and now composed of the following: John L. Hunter, Walter D. Richard, Daniel J. Breen, Lionel R. Trudeau, Granville N. Douglas, Michael F. Ryan, Aaron W. Hobart and Rene Berard; and to invest the said new appointees, John J. Clancy, Walter W. Leblanc, Lester W. Lataille, and Walter Lewinski with the same duties, rights and privileges as conferred upon the aforementioned John L. Hunter, Walter D. Richard, Daniel J. Breen, Lionel R. Trudeau, Granville N. Douglas, Michael F. Ryan, Aaron W. Hobart and Rene Berard.

The vote on said motion, taken by written ballot with the names of each voter checked on the voting list, was as follows: Total vote cast: 130. Yes: 74. No: 56.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to dissolve the warrant at 9:00 o'clock P. M.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

LEO A. GOSSELIN,

Town Clerk, Bellingham.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

August 22, 1938

Agreeable to a warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen on August 12, 1938, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Town Hall on August 22, 1938, at 8 o'clock in the evening, and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 8 P. M. by Moderator Lionel R. Trudeau, followed by the reading of the warrant by Town Clerk Leo A. Gosselin.

Article 1. On motion of Albert A. Boudreau, duly seconded, it was voted to authorize the School Committee to appoint one of its members, Lionel R. Trudeau, Principal of the Bellingham High School, for the school year 1938 and 1939, at a yearly salary of \$1,800.00, said sum to be paid out of the general school fund.

The vote on said motion, taken by written ballot with the names of each voter checked on the voting list, was as follows: Total vote cast: 169; Yes: 100; No: 69.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to dissolve the warrant at 8:50 P. M.

A true copy of record.,

Attest:

LEO A. GOSELIN,

Town Clerk, Bellingham.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 12, 1938

Agreeable to a warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen on September 2, 1938, the inhabitants of Bellemingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Town Hall on September 12, 1938, at 8 o'clock in the evening and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 8 o'clock P. M. by Moderator Lionel R. Trudeau, followed by the reading of the warrant by Town Clerk Leo A. Gosselin.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the body of the warrant.

Article 1. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for Public Welfare, said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds.

Article 2. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Soldiers' Relief, said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds.

Article 3. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Machinery Account, said sum to be raised by transfer from the Machinery Revenue Account.

Article 4. (See motion under article 1 of Special Town Meeting of September 24, 1938. The vote on this motion by Leo A. Stearns with reference to the water system and P. W. A. project was taken by written ballot with the names of each voter checked on the voting list, and gave the following results: Total vote cast: 417. Yes: 271. No: 146. Two-thirds vote being required, (278), motion did not carry.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to adjourn the Town Meeting to 2 o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday, September 17, 1938, at the Town Hall.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

LEO A. GOSSELIN,
Town Clerk, Bellingham.

ADJOURNED SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Pursuant to a vote taken at the Special Town Meeting of September 12, 1938, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Town Hall on September 17, 1938, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The Moderator being absent, Town Clerk Leo A. Gosselin called for the election of a temporary Moderator, and on motion of Paul Robidoux, Edwin F. Tuttle was chosen Moderator.

Article 5. (Article in connection with Water System and W. P. A. project). On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to pass over this article.

On motion of Stanley J. Antosh, it was voted to adjourn the Town Meeting to 8 o'clock in the evening on Monday, October 3, 1938, at the Town Hall.

ADJOURNED SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Pursuant to a vote taken at the adjourned Special Town Meeting of September 17, 1938, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Town Hall on October 3, 1938, at 8 o'clock in the evening, and proceeded to act on the warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P. M. by Moderator Lionel R. Trudeau.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to dissolve the warrant at 8:01 P. M.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

LEO A. GOSSELIN,
Town Clerk, Bellingham.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 24, 1938

Agreeable to a warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen on September 16, 1938, pursuant to a request in writing by more than one hundred registered voters, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Town Hall on September 24, 1938, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock P. M. by Moderator Lionel R. Trudeau, followed by the reading of the warrant by Town Clerk Leo A. Gosselin.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the body of the warrant.

Article 1. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, duly seconded, it was voted that, for the purpose of installing a water system including wells, pumping station, standpipe, watermains, and other necessary appurtenances, and to acquire by purchase or otherwise land, rights of way, and other easements for said purpose, and to enable the Town to secure the benefits of funds granted by the Federal Government under the Public Works Administration Act of 1938, there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$339,560.00, and the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby

is authorized to borrow the sum of \$186,760.00, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 50 of the Acts of 1938, said bonds or notes to be payable in not more than 30 years at such term and maximum rate of interest as may be fixed by the Emergency Finance Board.

All moneys received by way of grant from the Federal Government on account of this project shall be applied first to meet the cost of construction thereof and any balance shall be applied to the payment of the loan herein authorized.

The Selectmen are hereby authorized and directed to accept on behalf of the Town, for use in carrying out such project, a Federal grant of money, pursuant to the Public Works Administration Appropriation Act of 1938, and the present Water Construction Committee are authorized to proceed with the construction of said project and to enter into all necessary and proper contracts and agreements in respect thereto, all subject to applicable Federal regulations; and the Selectmen and the Water Construction Committee are authorized to do all other acts and things necessary or convenient for obtaining said grant, making said loan, and constructing said project.

The Selectmen are authorized to acquire by purchase or otherwise in accordance with Chapter 172 of the Acts of 1938 the following described parcels of land:
Land taking No. 1. A tract of land bounded and described as follows: A tract of land known as the old Electric Railroad right of way extending from Cross Street southerly to the right of way of the New York, New Haven & Hartford R. R..

Land Taking No. 2. A tract of land bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point which is the westerly junction of the right of ways of the old Electric Railroad and the New York, New Haven & Hartford R. R. and on the northerly side of said N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.; thence northerly by the westerly side of the old Electric Railroad right of way about 1150' to the corner of the Crooks and Barrows properties; thence westerly by the line between the Crooks and Barrows properties; to the brook; thence on the same course to a point 1300' from the old Electric Railroad right of way. Beginning again at the first mentioned bound by the northerly side of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.; thence westerly about 1300 feet; thence from this point northerly to the point previously described as being 1300' from the old Electric Railroad right of way. This includes portions of the Burr and Barroes properties.

Land taking No. 3. A tract of land bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point by the easterly side of South Main Street about 583 feet north of the corner marked by a drill hole in a boulder, between the properties of A. T. Harper and Francis Thayer; thence northerly by the easterly side of South Main Street about 200 feet; thence easterly at right angles to said South Main Street about 200 feet; thence southerly from this point and parallel to the easterly line of South Main Street, about 200 feet; thence about 200 feet to the first mentioned bound. The herein described land being a portion of the property now owned by Francis Thayer.

The vote on said motion, taken by written ballot with the names of each voter checked on the voting list, was as follows: Total vote cast: 450. Yes: 358. No: 90. Blanks: 22. Two-thirds vote being required-300, motion carried by 58 votes.

Article 2. On motion of Leo A. Stearns, it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 for laying water mains of not less than six inches, in connection with the establishment of a system for supplying the inhabitants of the town with water; and to meet said appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorized and directed to borrow the sum of \$50,000.00 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, and to issue notes or bonds of the Town therefor, payable in not more than 30 years; said sum to be used in conjunction with funds of the Works Progress Administration or other funds of the Federal Government. The vote on said motion, taken by written ballot with the names of each voter checked on the voting list, was as follows: Total vote cast: 346. Yes: 324. No: 22 Blanks: 0. Two-thirds vote being required-231, motion carried by 93 votes.

On motion of Walter W. Leblanc, it was voted to dissolve the warrant at 4:45 P. M.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

LEO A. GOSSELIN,

Town Clerk, Bellingham.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 17, 1938

Agreeable to a warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen October 10, 1938, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Town Hall on October 17, 1938, at 8 o'clock in the evening, and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The office of Moderator being vacant as a result of the resignation of Lionel R. Trudeau, Town Clerk Leo A. Goosselin called for the election of a temporary Moderator, and on motion of William W. Fairbanks, duly seconded, James Wrenn was chosen Moderator.

Article 1. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$3,250 to be apportioned as follows: \$1,500 for Public Welfare; \$1,250 for Old Age Assistance; and \$500 for Aid to Dependent Children; said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds.

On motion of William W. Fairbanks, duly seconded, it was voted to dissolve the warrant at 8:05 P. M.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

LEO A. GOSELIN,

Town Clerk, Bellingham

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 21, 1938

Agreeable to a warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen Nov. 14, 1938, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Town Hall on November 21, 1938, at 8 o'clock in the evening, and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The Moderator being absent, Town Clerk Leo A. Gosselin called for the election of a temporary Moderator, and on motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, Otto J. Meotti was chosen Moderator.

Article 1. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$3,500 to be apportioned as follows: \$1,500 for Old Age Assistance; \$1,500 for Public Welfare; and \$500 for Aid to Dependent Children; said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds.

Article 2. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, duly seconded, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$250 for Soldiers' Relief, said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, duly seconded, it was voted to dissolve the warrant at 8:15 P. M.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

LEO A. GOSSELIN,

Town Clerk, Bellingham.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

December 27, 1938

Agreeable to a warrant given under the hands of the Selectmen on December 19, 1938, the inhabitants of Bellingham qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs met at the Town Hall on December 27, 1938, at 8 o'clock in the evening, and proceeded to act on the articles of the warrant as follows:

The Moderator being absent, Town Clerk Leo A. Gosselin called for the election of a temporary Moderator, and on motion of William W. Fairbanks, Leo A. Gosselin was chosen Moderator.

The Moderator then called for the election of a temporary Clerk, and on motion of Walter W. Leblanc, John J. Clancy was chosen Clerk.

Article 1. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$130.00 for Trade School tuition fund, said sum to be raised by transfer from the appropriation of the School Department.

Article 2. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$1,130.00 for the Machinery Account, said sum to be raised by transfer from the Machinery Revenue Account.

Article 3. On motion of William W. Fairbanks, it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for Town Hall, said sum to be raised by transfer of \$150.00 from the

Health appropriation, and \$50.00 from Street Lighting; also to appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the Soldiers' Relief Department, said sum to be raised by transfer of \$50.00 from the Health appropriation; and also to appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the Tax Collector's Department, said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds.

On motion of Paul Robidoux, it was voted to dissolve the warrant at 8:15 o'clock P. M.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

LEO A. GOSELIN,
Town Clerk, Bellingham.

STATE PRIMARIES

September 20, 1938

DEMOCRATIC VOTE

Precincts	1	2	3	Totals
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Governor

Charles F. Hurley	12	12	25	49
James M. Curley	7	19	25	51
Francis E. Kelly	21	36	14	71
Richard M. Russell	2	0	0	2
Blanks	0	2	4	6
Totals	42	69	68	179

Lieutenant-Governor

James Henry Brennan	11	24	24	59
Edward T. Collins	3	12	9	24
Alexander F. Sullivan	5	9	14	28
Joseph C. White	15	19	6	40
William P. Yoerg	1	0	5	6
Blanks	7	5	10	22
Totals	42	69	68	179

Secretary

William J. Ahearn	1	3	3	7
John M. Bresnahan	15	17	24	56
Henry Clay	0	1	5	6
Katherine A. Foley	14	18	13	45
William F. Sullivan	1	9	7	17
John H. Wallace	3	2	7	12
Blanks	8	19	9	35
Totals	42	69	68	179

Treasurer

William F. Barrett	2	6	14	22
Ernest Joseph Brown	3	2	7	12
William H. Burke, Jr.	2	8	6	16
Joseph W. Doherty	7	7	14	28
Owen Gallagher	0	13	2	15
John Frederick Harkins	0	0	1	1
Daniel J. Honan	2	0	5	7
John O. McGrath	15	9	7	31
Blanks	11	24	12	47
 Totals	 42	 69	 68	 179

Auditor

Thomas H. Buckley	27	37	30	94
John J. Barry	0	4	11	15
Leo D. Walsh	6	9	18	33
Blanks	9	19	9	37
 Totals	 42	 69	 68	 179

Attorney-General

Paul A. Dever	36	46	53	135
Blanks	6	23	15	44
 Totals	 42	 69	 68	 179

Congressman

Lawrence J. Bresnahan	38	55	55	148
Blanks	4	14	13	31
 Totals	 42	 69	 68	 179

Councillor

Charles J. O'Connor	17	27	38	82
Edmund Burke	7	2	0	9
James J. Marshall	2	6	4	12
William F. McNamara	3	5	8	16
Charles T. O'Connor	2	7	6	15
Blanks	11	22	12	45
Totals	42	69	68	179

Senator

P. Eugene Casey	36	54	48	138
George M. Kurzon	2	8	15	25
Blanks	4	7	5	16
Totals	42	69	68	179

Representative

Blanks	42	69	68	179
Totals	42	69	68	179

District Attorney

Alonzo Bartlett Greene	14	7	25	46
Daniel L. Kelleher, Jr.	17	35	30	82
Blanks	11	27	13	51
Totals	42	69	68	179

County Commissioner

Francis P. Kelley	31	42	55	128
Blanks	11	27	13	51
Totals	42	69	68	179

Sheriff

Robert S. Cutler	9	15	24	48
Daniel J. Flood	22	29	32	83
Blanks	11	25	12	48
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Totals	42	69	68	179

Delegate to State Convention

Leo A. Gosselin	31	55	59	145
Blanks	11	14	9	34
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Totals	42	69	68	179

REPUBLICAN VOTE

Precincts	1	2	3	Totals
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Governor

Frederick Butler	1	0	2	3
William H. McMasters	16	5	7	28
Leverett Saltonstall	51	22	46	119
Richard Whitcomb	0	3	1	4
Blanks	2	0	2	4
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Totals	70	30	58	158

Lieutenant-Governor

Dewey G. Archambault	2	1	10	13
Horace T. Cahill	28	10	23	61
J. Watson Flett	1	0	0	1
Charles P. Howard	5	0	4	9
Kenneth D. Johnson	24	19	14	57
Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr.	2	0	2	4
Blanks	8	0	5	13
	—	—	—	—
Totals	70	30	58	158

Secretary

Frederic W. Cook	59	23	52	134
Blanks	11	7	6	24
Totals	70	30	58	158

Treasurer

William E. Hurley	34	8	19	61
Alonzo B. Cook	20	16	32	68
John J. Hurley	4	1	2	7
Blanks	12	5	5	22
Totals	70	30	58	158

Auditor

Carl D. Goodwin	23	7	20	50
Russel A. Wood	31	17	24	72
Blanks	16	6	14	36
Totals	70	30	58	158

Attorney-General

Howe Coolidge Amee	10	6	8	24
Clarence A. Barnes	38	16	26	80
Frank F. Walters	6	2	10	18
Blanks	16	6	14	36
Totals	70	30	58	158

Congressman

Joseph William Martin Jr.	54	21	46	121
Blanks	16	9	12	37
Totals	70	30	58	158

Councillor

Earl L. Anderson	11	3	11	25
Mary E. Armitage	3	2	3	8
David E. Hobson	3	2	4	9
Joseph V. Ladner	7	1	4	12
George E. Nelson	24	12	21	57
Edward F. Simpson	6	3	1	10
Blanks	16	7	14	37
Totals	70	30	58	158

Senator

Wilfred P. Bazinet	50	21	44	115
Blanks	20	9	14	43
Totals	70	30	58	158

Representative

Rudolph F. King	58	26	53	137
Blanks	12	4	5	21
Totals	70	30	58	158

District Attorney

Edmund R. Dewing	54	25	40	119
Joseph G. Schumb	4	1	8	13
Blanks	12	4	10	26
Totals	70	30	58	158

County Commissioner

Frederick A. Leavitt	25	7	25	57
Robert R. Bishop	11	5	5	21
William S. Farmer	23	15	20	58
Blanks	11	3	8	22
Totals	70	30	58	158

Sheriff

Louis K. Badger	5	10	7	22
Russell T. Bates	16	6	10	32
Frederick A. Holbrook	6	2	6	14
Herber F. Perry	2	0	0	2
Samuel H. Wragg	29	12	27	68
Blanks	12	0	8	20
Totals	70	30	58	158

Delegates to State Convention (2)

Paul G. Olson	45	24	33	102
John L. Hunter	55	21	47	123
Blanks	40	15	36	91
Totals	140	60	116	316

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Attest:

LEO A. GOSELIN,

Town Clerk, Bellingham.

STATE ELECTION

November 8, 1938

Precincts	1	2	3	Totals
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Governor

Henning A. Blomen (S-L)	0	0	0	0
Roland S. Bruneau (I)	1	1	3	5
Jeffrey W. Campbell (S)	0	1	0	1
James M. Curley (D)	121	166	408	695
William A. Davenport (I)	0	0	2	2
Otis Archer Hood (C)	0	0	1	1
Charles L. Manser (G-G)	0	0	0	0
Leverett Saltonstall (R)	182	96	256	534
George L. Thompson (P)	0	0	1	1
William H. McMasters (T)	3	1	5	9
Blanks	8	2	9	19
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Lieutenant-Governor

Manuel Blank (C)	0	0	1	1
James Henry Brennen (D)	127	162	416	705
Horace T. Cahill (R)	176	96	254	526
Freeman W. Follett (P)	1	2	4	7
Joseph F. Massidda (S)	2	0	1	3
George L. McGlynn (S-L)	1	0	1	2
Blanks	8	7	8	23
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Secretary

Frederic W. Cook (R)	185	95	253	533
Hugo Degregory (C)	1	0	3	4
Katherine A. Foley (D)	118	162	406	686
Eileen O'Connor Lane (S) ...	4	0	3	7
Malcolm T. Rowe (S-L) ..	0	0	2	2
Blanks	7	10	18	35
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Treasurer

Frank L. Asher (C)	0	0	2	2
Albert Sprague Coolidge (S) ...	3	1	4	8
Owen Gallagher (D)	112	163	398	673
John J. Hurley (I)	7	6	10	23
William E. Hurley (R)	184	87	252	523
Ralph Pirone	0	0	1	1
Blanks	9	10	18	37
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Auditor

Thomas H. Buckley (D) ...	133	173	409	715
Michael C. Flaherty (S)....	4	0	2	6
Horace I. Hillis (S-L)	0	1	2	3
Michael Tuysuzian (C) ..	0	0	3	3
Guy S. Williams (P)	4	1	3	8
Russel A. Wood (R)	164	82	246	492
Blanks	10	10	20	40
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Attorney-General

Clarence A. Barnes (R)	162	76	249	487
Paul A. Dever (D)	137	176	416	729
Joseph C. Figueiredo (C)	1	2	0	3
George F. Hogan (P)	5	0	0	5
Alfred Baker Lewis (S)	1	0	0	1
Fred E. Celcher (S-L)	0	0	1	1
Blanks	9	13	19	41
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Congressman (14th District)

Lawrence J. Bresnahan (D)	146	181	414	741
Joseph William Martin, Jr. (R)	163	79	257	499
Mortimer A. Sullivan (L)	0	1	2	3
Blanks	6	6	12	24
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Councillor (7th District)

William A. Ahern (S)	5	1	2	8
James J. Marshall (D)	122	170	413	705
George E. Nelson (R)	167	83	241	491
Blanks	21	13	29	63
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Senator (4th District)

Wilfred P. Bazinet (R)	138	69	274	481
P. Eugene Casey (D)	171	194	401	766
Blanks	6	4	10	20
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Representative (12th District)

Rudolph F King (R)	224	147	404	775
Blanks	91	120	281	492
Totals	315	267	685	1267

District Attorney (Southeastern District)

Edmund R. Dewing (R) ..	184	88	263	535
Daniel L. Kelleher, Jr. (D)	117	164	390	671
Blanks	14	15	32	61
Totals	315	267	685	1267

County Commissioner

Francis P. Kelley (D) ..	134	172	409	715
Frederick A. Leavitt (R) ..	163	81	247	491
Blanks	18	14	29	61
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Sheriff

Daniel J. Flood (D)	125	169	411	705
Samuel H. Wragg (R) ..	170	79	243	492
Blanks	20	19	31	70
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Biennial Sessions

Yes	118	97	240	455
No	65	44	109	218
Blanks	132	126	336	594
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Free Taxicabs Stands

Yes	87	90	219	396
No	96	58	104	258
Blanks	132	119	362	613
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Sale of all Alcoholic Beverages

Yes	145	141	326	612
No	94	41	71	206
Blanks	76	85	288	449
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Sale of Beer and Wines

Yes	147	137	320	604
No	79	37	63	179
Blanks	89	93	302	484
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Sale in Packages

Yes	138	139	314	591
No	87	37	68	192
Blanks	90	91	303	484
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Pari-Mutuel at Horse Races

Yes	131	135	275	541
No	98	45	116	259
Blanks	86	87	294	467
Totals	315	267	685	1267

Pari-Mutuel at Dog Races

Yes	125	120	258	503
No	102	53	126	281
Blanks	88	94	301	483
Totals	315	267	685	1267

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Attest:

LEO A. GOSELIN,

Town Clerk, Bellingham.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRARS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Board of Registrars of Voters organized for the year 1938 with Michael F. Ryan as Chairman, and Leo A. Gosselin as Clerk.

The Registrars held sessions for the registration of voters as follows:

Town Hall: February 23, August 31, October 19.

North Bellingham Schoolhouse: February 16, August 31, October 14.

Community Building: February 16, August 31, October 14.

Sessions were also held at the Town Hall after the Town election, State Primaries, and State Election, for the purpose of canvassing votes.

NUMBER OF REGISTERED VOTERS

December 31, 1938

	Males	Females	Totals
Precinct 1	200	160	360
Precinct 2	162	147	309
Precinct 3	407	333	740
Totals	769	640	1409

NUMBER OF ENROLLED VOTERS

December 31, 1938

	Repub- lican	Democ- rat	Inde- pen- dent	Totals
Precinct 1	135	61	164	360
Precinct 2	66	130	113	309
Precinct 3	222	152	366	740
Totals	423	343	643	1409

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL F. RYAN

ARTHUR M. LECLAIRE

HARLAND E. COOK

LEO A. GOSSELIN

ANNUAL REPORT Of The COLLECTOR Of TAXES

December 31, 1938.

To the Taxpayers of Bellingham:

I hereby submit my report for the year 1938. I wish to call the attention to the Excise Tax new law which took effect on October 15, 1938.

All Excise taxes must be paid within 30 days from the date of the bill after which date the collector must send a report to the Registry of Motor Vehicles, and all such delinquent face the loss of their Registration.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the different Town Officials for their cooperation and the Taxpayers for their efforts to pay their taxes in due time.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH O. FLEUETTE,

Tax Collector.

1935 Property Tax

Uncollected January 1, 1938	\$ 297.77	
	_____	\$ 297.77
Paid Treasurer Tax	\$ 289.50	
Taxes added to Tax title account	8.27	
	_____	\$ 297.77

1936 Poll Tax

Uncollected January 1, 1938	\$ 90.00	
Interest	2.99	
	_____	\$ 92.99
Paid Treasurer Tax	\$ 36.00	
Paid Treasurer Interest	2.99	
Abatements	54.00	
	_____	\$ 92.99

1936 Excise Tax

Uncollected January 1, 1938	\$ 281.47	
Interest	17.59	
	_____	\$ 299.06
Paid Treasurer Tax	177.20	
Paid Treasurer Interest	17.59	
Abatements	72.40	
Balance uncollected Dec. 31, 1938	31.87	
	_____	\$ 299.06

1936 Property Tax

Uncollected January 1, 1938	\$13,812.31
Interest	901.34

	14,713.65
Paid Treasurer Tax	\$11,466.87
Paid Treasurer Interest	901.34
Taxes added to Tax Title account	1,793.41
Abatements	541.18
Balance uncollected Dec. 31, 1938	10.85

	14,713.65

1937 Poll Tax

Uncollected January 1, 1938	\$ 248.00
Interest	5.28

	\$ 253.28
Paid Treasurer Tax	\$ 108.00
Paid Treasurer Interest	5.28
Balance uncollected Dec. 31, 1938	140.00

	\$ 253.28

1937 Excise Tax

Uncollected January 1, 1938	\$ 1,325.30
Warrant January 14, 1938	24.87
Refunds	10.87
Interest	50.73

	\$ 1,411.77
Paid Treasurer Tax	\$ 1,048.34
Paid Treasurer Interest	50.73
Abatements	24.36
Balance uncollected Dec. 31, 1938	288.34

	\$ 1,411.77

1937 Property Tax

Uncollected January 1, 1938	\$41,283.30
Interest	702.75
	—————
	\$41,986.05
Paid Treasurer Tax	\$20,440.99
Paid Treasurer Interest	702.75
Abatements	61.53
Tax added to Tax Title account	2,276.00
Balance uncollected Jan. 31, 1938	18,504.78
	—————
	\$41,986.05

1938 Poll Tax

Warrant April 11	\$ 1,744.00
Warrant April 29	12.00
Warrant June 10	6.00
Warrant October 28	36.00
Warrant September 12	22.00
Interest .....	.44
	—————
	\$ 1,820.44
Paid Treasurer Tax	\$ 1,350.00
Paid Treasurer Interest .....	.44
Abatements	50.00
Balance uncollected Dec. 31, 1938	420.00
	—————
	\$ 1,820.44

1938 Excise Tax

Warrant March 5	\$ 1,257.54
Warrant April 11	2,269.92
Warrant July 5	456.87
Warrant October 5	406.59
Warrant December 12	146.33
Interest	31.20
Refunds	47.46
	—————
	\$ 4,615.91

Paid Treasurer Tax	\$ 4,137.02
Paid Treasurer Interest	31.20
Abatements	180.92
Balance uncollected Dec. 31, 1938	266.77
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	\$ 4,615.91

1938 Property Tax

Warrant July 5, 1938	\$87,096.82
Warrant Dec. 20, 1938	15.44
Interest	29.75
Refunds	9.75
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Paid Treasurer Tax	\$44,161.65
Paid Treasurer Interest	29.75
Abatements	282.76
Tax Title	2,893.18
Balance uncollected Dec. 31, 1938	39,784.42
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	\$87,151.76

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1938	\$ 14,306.34
Receipts to December 31, 1938	343,881.21
Total	\$358,187.55
Less payments to Dec. 31, 1938	\$311,520.89
Balance, December 31, 1938	\$ 46,666.66

LEO A. MURRAY,

Treasurer.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Bellingham, Mass.

January 20, 1939.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Chief of the Fire Department, I hereby wish to submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1938. Alarms answered by truck:

Forest and Brush Fires	22
Building Fires	10
Chimney Fires	12
Dump Fires	1
Automobile Fires	1
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Total Alarms	46
Deaths caused by burns	1
Persons given first aid treatment by Firemen	1

The new siren that was installed last spring proved to be of great value in sending out alarms and getting the apparatus out to a quick start. The 500 feet of new hose that was bought during the year was used to great advantage in replacing hose that was worn out beyond repair.

Four men of the Department received diplomas from the "State Firemen's Training School" in Brookline, Mass.

I want to thank the Board of Selectmen, all the members of my Department, and the members of the Police Department for the co-operation they have all given me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
WASYL KORNICKI.

Bellingham, Mass.

January 15, 1939.

FOREST FIRE WARDENS REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Forest Fire Warden, I hereby submit the report for my department for the year ending December 31, 1938.

Number of fires called out to in town 48

Investigations made of fires being had without the owner first obtaining a permit 24

Investigations made from Mendon Observation 10

New Equipment—(repairs):

60 parts and fittings for Fire Pumps.

I wish to call the attention of the towns people at this time to the Fire Hazard that we will have this coming year. Approximately 1,500,00 feet of lumber was blown down during the hurricane on Sept. 21, 1938, in the Town of Bellingham.

The W. P. A., on The New England Forest Emergency Project in the town has cleared around 22 camps, and about 10 miles of Fire Lanes have been opened, up to date. This work is still being carried on as there are more Fire Lanes to be opened and numerous cart roads to be cleared.

Your co-operation will be needed and appreciated, in helping combat this menace.

I want to thank the Board of Selectmen, my Deputy Wardens, my towns people and my neighboring city and towns for their co-operation that they have given me for the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR C. SCOTT,

Forest Fire Warden.

Bellingham, Mass.
January 12, 1939

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Dog Officer I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1938.

Complaints received and investigated	34
Dogs reported hit by automobiles	11
Dogs killed for destroying property	3
Owners of destroyed property allowed damage	2
Stray dogs confined, killed and buried	15
Dogs killed on request of owner	18
Owners notified for failing to pay dog license	115

Respectfully submitted,

NORBERT GRENIER,

Dog Officer.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Chief of Police I hereby submit the report of my department for the year ending December 31, 1938.

Complaints received and investigated 207
33 of these were automobile accidents.

Summons served for out of town Police Departments 16

Arrests made for:

Assault and Battery	4
Breaking and Entering	5
Driving to Endanger	8
Disturbing the Peace	2
Drunkeness	3
Driving under Suspension	2
Driving under the influence of liquor	2
Failing to pay fines	2
Fugitive from justice	1
Larceny	3
Non-Suport	1
Manufacturing of liquor	2
Motor Vehicle Laws Violation	18
Malicious Injury to Property	2
Profanity	1
Threats	2
Trespass	3
Internal Revenue Laws	4

I wish to thank the police officers and the Board of Selectmen for the co-operation that they have given me in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
EUCLIDE A. FLEUETTE,
Chief of Police.

ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
December 31, 1938

Number of male polls assessed	878
Number of horses assessed	46
Number of cows assessed	449
Number of cattle other than cows assessed	46
Number of swine assessed	36
Number of fowl assessed	11,422
Number of dwelling houses assessed	663
Number of acres of land assessed	10,847
Number of automobiles assessed	768
Valuation of personal estate	\$178,900.00
Valuation of real estate	\$2,077,480.00
Total valuation of estate	\$2,256,380.00
Rate of taxation: \$38.60 per \$1,000.	

CLARENCE W. HOYT,

CARROLL F. WHITE,

TIMOTHY F. ALLEN,

Assessors of Bellingham.

**REPORT OF THE
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1938. All places of business in the Town of Bellingham were visited by me after notifications by public notice as the law requires, and also peddlers as to licenses.

Scales, measures, etc., sealed and adjusted:

Platform Scales over 5000 lbs.—adjusted and sealed	1
Platform Scales under 5000 lbs.—adjusted and sealed	0
Counter Scales over 100 lbs.—adjusted and sealed	0
Counted Scales under 100 lbs.—adjusted and sealed	3
Beam Scales over 100 lbs.—adjusted and sealed	0
Beam Scales under 100 lbs.—adjusted and sealed	0
Spring Scales over 100 lbs.—adjusted and sealed	0
Spring Scales under 100 lbs.—adjusted and sealed	2
Computing Scales over 100 lbs.—adjusted and sealed	0
Computing Scales under 100 lbs.—adjusted and sealed ..	9
Avoirdupois Weights	0
Gasoline Measuring Pumps	24

Respectfully submitted,

ULRIC TRUDEAU,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Bellingham, Mass.:

The Board of Public Welfare wish to make the following report, pertaining to the expenditure of the appropriations made during the year 1938 for aid to persons in need.

On January 1, 1939, there were—

13 cases receiving Direct Cash Relief.

17 cases receiving Temporary Aid, unable to work.

10 cases receiving Aid to Dependent Children.

60 cases receiving Old Age Assistance.

2 cases receiving Hospital Assistance.

1 case receiving Aid at Canton Hospital School.

23 Cases receiving Aid in other Towns.

4 person were buried at public expense during 1938.

1 case of vagrancy reported.

8 boys were enrolled in the Civilian Conservation Corps.

7 maternity cases aided.

240 cases received some form of relief during the year 1938.

The Sociay Security Act instructs all towns to make proper provision for the fulfillment of the several relief agencies incorporated in this act, by the appointment of persons to act as administrator of the Bureau of Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children.

The Board of Public Welfare earnestly request that the voters make sufficient appropriations for this board to carry on the relief work, with federal participation.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRI E. TRUDEAU, Chairman.
WALTER LEWINSKI
EDWARD M. REID, Clerk.

MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

The Town Memorail Day Committee wish to report that exercises were conducted on Memorial Sunday 1938, with the assistance of the Arnold Spencer Post No. 218, American Legion and its Auxiliary.

The parade started at the corner of Bellingham and Center Streets in South Bellingham at 1:15 P. M. Marching to Beausoleil Square. Where exercises were held. The parade then proceeded by cars to North Bellingham Station, then starting at 2:30 P. M. for the North Bellingham Cemetery, where exercises were held for the departed

dead. Then proceeding by cars to Bellingham Center. Where the parade started at the corner of Depot and North Main Street, marching to the Cemetery on Mechanic Street for exercises, after which the parade proceeded to the bridge over Charles River, where a Salute to the Sailor and Marine dead was fired.

Immediately after the parade the Boy Scouts of the Holy Family Church of Woonsocket gave an exhibition drill on the square, in front of the Town Hall.

Concluding the exercises a buffet lunch was served by members of the Arnold Spencer Post Auxiliary in the Town Hall..

The Arnold Spencer Post No. 218, American Legion and its Auxiliary wish to thank the public and all those who so generously helped to make Poppy Day a success. And also, those who took part in this memorial to the Soldiers and Sailors who have answered the last call.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES A. YATES.
Secretary.

Bills Contracted By The Town Memorial Day Committee

Melrose Flower Shoppe \$ 44.77

Boy Scouts of Woonsocket 15.00

Care of Monument 15.00

Incidentals:

Gas, Oil, Telephone, Stamps, Paper, Car for
disabled Vets, Typing letters 15.00

Ammunition Al's Sport Shop 9.10

C. L. Berry—Groceries 1.10

Renalard Bakery	4.50
Ovila Dulude—groceries	9.99
Woonsocket Paper Co.	7.25
Belisle Bakery	5.60
V. F. W. Drum Corps	40.00
Flags for Graves	7.50
Hill Side Florist—Wreaths	3.35
 Total Cost	\$178.16
Cash Returned	4.84
 Grand Total	\$183.00

The Town Memorial Day Committee would like to recommend the sum of Three Hundred Dollars be appropriated for Memorial Day Town exercises.

Respectfully submitted,
 JAMES A. YATES,

Secretary.

Town Memorial Day Committee:

FRED J. WHALEN, Chairman.
 WM. H. SIMS, Business Agent.
 JAMES A. YATES, Secretary.

Legion Memorial Day Committee:

MICHAEL SMITH, Chairman
 EDWARD M. REID, Secretary.
 ARTHUR LECLERE

REPORT OF THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR

February 6, 1939.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I have inspected the barns and found both the cattle and barns to be in good condition.

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. MOONEY.

REPORT OF THE MILK INSPECTOR

February 6, 1939.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I have inspected the dairies of the town and found them in good condition.

I have issued a Producers Permit to all milk producers according to Chapter 94 as amended by Chapter 88, Sec 43 of the General Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. MOONEY.

SPECIAL REPORT BY BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The following letter will explain to residents of many streets of the Town why they have not had their particular road tarred during the past two years. These regulations were in force during 1937 as well as in 1938, but no specific letter was issued covering the same. Mr. Rowe district Engineer personally enforced the rulings which prohibited the repair of the roads under Chapter 81. This year in order that there be no possibility of discussion of the roads in question the Department of Public Works.

January 27, 1939.

Board of Selectmen
Bellingham,
Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

In section 27, Chapter 81 of the General Laws there is a provision that prohibits the spending of any of the combined funds on streets that comprise the thickly settled districts.

This provision reads as follows:

"No work is to be done under the preceding section in any district where the dwelling houses or structures devoted to business are situated at intervals averaging less than 200 feet for the distance of a quarter of a mile."

In order that your Board and this office may be in agreement as to the practical application of this part of the statue, I am sending you enclosed two prints showing the thickly settled areas in the Northern and Southern parts of the Town. A third print shows the Charles River Grove section including certain accepted as public ways by the Town in 1938.

A list of streets in all these areas together with their respective lengths is also enclosed. Regarding the thickly settled areas, since the statute specifically prohibits the spending of any of the combined Chapter 81 funds on such streets, it will be necessary for you to raise at your coming Town meeting, not only the amount needed to meet the States allotment but enough in addition to take care of the years maintenance of these thickly settled streets.

Regarding the Streets in the Charles River Grove Section: We feel that where these streets when accepted by the Town were poorly defined on the ground, lacking for the most part any semblance to a street, the Town should first, by means of a special appropriation, roughly grade these streets to align and grade before any of the Chapter 81 money is allotted for their maintenance. For that reason we are including them in the group on which no Chapter 81 funds may be spent.

Very truly yours,

H. O. PARKER,

District Highway Engineer.

Name of Street	Length in Miles	Name of Street	Length in Miles
Bellingham St.	0.10	Linwood Ave.	0.16
California Ave.	0.20	Moody St.	0.08
Dewey St.	0.06	Muron St.	0.24
Elbow St.	0.20	Norfolk St.	0.13
Essex St.	0.17	Orchard St.	0.10
Governor Ave.	0.08	Paine St.	0.25
Irving St.	0.11	Pinegrove Ave.	0.22
Lafayette St.	0.06	Pleasant St.	0.13
Pothier Ave.	0.13	Salisbury St.	0.04
Prospect St.	0.13	Spring St.	0.10
South Main St.	0.45	Suffolk St.	0.15
Stockholm St.	0.10	Woodland Ave.	0.11
Winter St.	0.20	Wrentham St.	0.25

NORTH BELLINGHAM

Beech St.	0.20	Cutler St.	0.20
Hartford Ave.	1.30	Maple St.	0.40
McKean St.	0.07	Ray Ave.	0.09

CHARLES RIVER GROVE

Fifth Ave.	1770 ft.	First Ave.	1150 ft.
Fourth Ave.	1700 ft.	Main Ave.	1000 ft.
Middle Ave.	1150 ft.	Riverbank Ave.	1950 ft.
Second Ave.	1170 ft.	Thirs Ave.	1800 ft.
Total Ft.			2.21 Miles

The Board is making this report with the hope that it will clarify the road improvement situation and point out

the necessity of a special appropriation in future years to cover the cost of improvement and maintenance of the highways listed above. Whether the Town takes care of these roads itself or works in conjunction with the Federal Government in the improving or tarring of the same, it is only fair to notify the residents of those districts of the true state of facts which prevent the Board of Selectmen from tarring the streets named above.

PAUL ROBIDOUX, Chairman Selectmen.

JOHN J. CLANCY

WALTER LEBLANC

ANNUAL REPORT Of The BOARD Of SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of Bellingham:

The Board of Selectmen organized on March 14, 1938. Paul Robidoux was unanimously voted in as chairman, and Walter LeBlanc was unanimously voted in as Soldiers Relief Agent for the year. Leo A. Stearns was unanimously appointed Clerk of the Board and W. P. A. Coordinator for the ensuing year.

The Board met on Monday evenings with the exception of holidays, when the meetings were held on Tuesday evenings. Meetings were held every week in order to expedite the handling of the many problems confronting the Board during the year. The Board thus continued the practice of weekly meetings established by the previous Board, and found that the practice aided them greatly in solving the Town's numerous problems.

Highway Department: The Highway Department was very ably handled by the Superintendent of Streets, Timothy E. Foley. Highway payroll rates which were a prominent factor in the increased efficiency of the Highway Department during the previous year were continued during 1938, and resulted in the maintenance of the same high efficiency during the past year by the Department.

During the year of 1938, the Board through its business-like handling of the purchases of tar and asphalt, was able to secure tar for 8.8c. per gallon contrasted with 13c.

and 12c. respectively for the years of 1935 and 1936. Asphalt was purchased as low as 6.8c. and none of it cost more than 7.0c. per gallon, contrasted with the 13c. price paid in 1936. The Board purchased tar and asphalt lower than the State, the Federal Government and lower than any Town anywhere near this vicinity. The Board estimated that is saved nearly \$2,000.00 on tar and asphalt purchases compared with those of 1935 and 1936. During the past year the Board saved considerable on the purchase of Highway supplies through competitive bidding, prior to the purchase of the same. During the past year the Town purchased virtually all its gasoline directly from the producers. This purchasing system enabled the Town to purchase the gasoline at a price ranging from 8 to 9c. net compared with the 16, 17 and 18c. paid to service stations. The savings to the Town in these gasoline purchases, which resulted in the Town purchasing gasoline for less than $\frac{1}{2}$ the service station price in some instances, resulted in savings of more than \$2,000.00 of the tax-payers money during the past year. The Board could not have been able to operate all of its present machinery and equipment unless it had adopted the above manner of purchasing gasoline, because the Town uses over 350 gallons a week with all its equipment in operation. The Board also purchased virtually all of its oil at wholesale prices of 40c. per gallon and less for first grade oil, compared with the service station price of 25c. and 30c. per quart paid in prior years, for the same grade oil. This latter method of purchasing resulted in saving of several hundred dollars in past year.

In conclusion the Board is proud of its record of having constructed more new tarred road surface, and repaired with asphalt and crushed stone more road surface than in any previous year in the Town history. The Board is positive that this mileage exceeds that of any previous year, not excepting the years when several thousand dollars were spent on special appropriations for new roads.

South Main St. Bridge and Grade Crossing Elimination Project: The board of Selectmen are pleased to state that they can definitely assure the people of Bellingham that the Railroad grade crossing elimination project, involving the construction of a new bridge on South Main Street and closing of the Mendon Road grade Crossing, will start this Spring. This project according to latest information will call for the construction of concrete reinforced bridge about thirty feet wide with concrete sidewalks 8 feet wide, and necessary approaches from both sides of the bridge: construction of a new road from South Main to Mendon Road on the North side of the grade crossing: and the blocking of Mendon Road on both sides of the railroad crossing. From recent reports secured from the Department of Public Works this project has been on the Commissioner's desk awaiting advertisement since the first of October. Final plans of the project are complete, and the start of the same will be possible when engineers are available by transfer from the emergency work in the Western part of the state. The project would have been started last fall had not every available engineer been transferred to the Western part of the state. There is no question about the ultimate construction of the project, for both the state and

Federal funds necessary for the construction have been set aside. In fact recently the Board authorized the Department of Public Works to negotiate the settlement of the land damages involved in the project.

Police Department: The Police Department was ably and energetically supervised by Chief Euclid Fleuette, and Deputy-Chief Harvey Foley. Traffic was capably handled at the various social functions, carnivals, and amusement events during the past year. Police Department, also handled traffic at the churches of the Town with dispatch and efficiency. The Department very efficiently enforced the law, and was able to set a splendid record in apprehending of criminals and other law violators.

Fire Department: The Fire Department was efficiently handled by Chief Wasyl Kornicki. In the past year the Board was obliged to purchase 500 feet of hose for the Department. During the year the Board discovered that there was less than 200 feet of passable hose available for use, and in the event of a sizeable fire, the defective lines were in serious danger of bursting and severely handicapping the Department in the time of dire emergency. The Board bought 500 feet of first quality double mildew proof hose which will last the department for several years to come. The Board could have purchased a far cheaper hose, but the fabric in the new hose will outwear three of the single thickness ordinary hose. This hose purchase accounted for the slightly larger amount of expenditures by the department during the past year. The Selectmen again came to a satisfactory working agreement with the Medway Fire Department for handling of the fires in Caryville, and North Bellingham.

Forest Fire Department: This department was ably handled by Edgar Scott during the past year. Several disastrous forest fires again brought about unexpected expenditures in this department.

Health: Through a decrease in hospitalization cases and capable handling of certain cases the Board was able to carry out the decreased expenditures recommended in the previous report, in fact the board had a slight surplus available for transfer at the close of the year. In the coming year the Board believes that the expenditures of the Department can be further decreased unless unforeseen circumstances occur.

Soldiers Relief: By careful planning and economical handling of Veterans cases the Board was able to keep the Soldiers Relief Department expenses within a reasonable figure, despite the fact that there were more unemployed veterans in the Town during the past year than ever before. There was a slight increase over the previous years expenditures, but no more was expended than in any average year, despite the heavy load at the start of the past year, and a serious hospitalization case, which prevented the Board from reducing the expenditures below the 1938 level.

W. P. A.: During the past year the Board of Selectmen have been able to secure W. P. A. employment for a large number of needy families. In fact the Board was able to secure the employment of about 350 needy heads of families, by assignment to the various projects in the Town. At one single time there was over 250 working on the

W. P. A. Total Payrolls on W. P. A. projects operating in Bellingham reached approximately \$150,000. a sum larger than the Town spent on all of its appropriations excepting the High School Building fund and new Water works. These payrolls contained more than three times as much funds and three times as many heads of families as were employed in any prior year of Federal Relief Administration. The Board can well recall the fact that in March of 1937 when the people of Bellingham entrusted the Government of the Town to the present group, that there were exactly 43 men on W. P. A. and the Selectmen had to struggle hard to keep the W. P. A. from reducing the Town's quota to 17, because the Welfare Board insisted that there were practically no unemployed in the Town. The Director of quotas for the old District No. 2 W. P. A. informed me that Bellingham was well off, because during the year of 1936 Bellingham was under its quota every month but the month June. In other words during 11 of those twelve months Bellingham could have obtained more persons on W. P. A. if it desired to do so. This factor prevented the Board from obtaining any increase in quota in district No. 2 while the W. P. A. was operated under the old system, because every time the Board requested more men on W. P. A. they would produce a statement from the local Welfare office stating that only three or four persons were receiving welfare or were unemployed. This factor made it extremely difficult even when the W. P. A. was reorganized for the Board to convince the W. P. A. that

Bellingham really needed an increase in quota, because the Welfare Department has during the past three years continually underestimated the number of unemployed in the Town of Bellingham. The Welfare Board never has been able to furnish a satisfactory reason for its continued underestimation of employment in the Town. The Board is extremely proud of its record of being able to state that from the first of July to the first of November, 1938 there was not a single unemployed citizen that was able to appear on the project that was not taken care of by being placed off the Welfare rolls and on the W. P. A.

Many people can not figure out why Bellingham has been treated so well by the W. P. A. It can be explained quite simply. The Selectmen have been willing to do anything within its power to cooperate with the Federal Government. If the Government insisted on the Town furnishing more equipment or supplies on a project, the Board would do its best to satisfy the demand. The Board secondly had sufficient foresight to plan worthwhile projects to operate, and to have an adequate supply of them ready for operation in the event that Bellingham's quota would be increased. When Bellingham asked for an increase in quota, the first question asked would be: Has Bellingham the projects available to place these men to work? Under the present Board, Bellingham always had sufficient projects available to meet the unemployment needs of its people. In fact in December 1937, Bellingham

was one of the few towns and cities in the state that had the projects available to place any sizeable increase in quota to work, and hence Bellingham profited by the foresight of its Selectmen, for Bellingham received increases in quota when other towns could not receive the same. In addition the Federal Government greatly appreciated the Boards determination to use worthwhile projects and attempt to really produce something of permanent value for the money spent by the Federal Government in the Town. This attitude contrasts sharply with the Board predecessors, who apparently did not care what the men did as long as the Federal Government was paying for the same. When the Board assumed control in 1937, it was reminded very pointedly then and many times thereafter that never had Bellingham completed a project of any kind with the original funds allotted for the same, and in the case of the notorious Town Hall Project, the Town received three separate grants and still the project was not completed. This unsavory project has prevented the Board from obtaining the approval of any project that calls for building any structure unless Bellingham guarantees to furnish the skilled help necessary for the completion of the same, in the event that the W. P. A. cannot. The board has attempted to secure a project to remodel the Vegetable cellar in the rear of the Town Hall, but cannot secure the approval of the same until an architect plans a layout of the same.

Before March 1937 projects were abruptly shut down at frequent intervals, and men thrown out of work for many weeks at a time because the Selectmen were not able to plan ahead and discover when the project funds would expire, and make provision for the transfer of the men prior to the exhaustion of the funds. Since March 1937 the Board can point with pride to the fact that not a single man lost a day's work through the failure of the Selectmen to provide projects on to which to transfer men and not a man lost a day's work in the transfer of men from one project to another. This record cannot be duplicated by any town in these parts. The clerk has even gone to Boston, secured the slips and deposited them out here in the correct post-offices to guarantee the delivery of the slips in time for the men to report on the project without loss of time.

W. P. A. PROJECT OPERATIONS:

Farm to Market Roads: During the past year the Board operated this project on a much larger scale than ever before. Operations were handicapped because of lack of equipment to properly employ all the men assigned to the project. The Board could have obtained better results if it had twice as many trucks on the project. The Board could only place five trucks on the project, whereas ten were really needed for the proper operation of the same. The Board would like to congratulate the men of this project for the splendid work accomplished with the equipment available, for they graveled more roads in the past year than were graveled in any two previous years, of the Town history. Not all of

this successful operation can be traced too the large number of men available for the project, but must be traced to the excellent supervision, splendid cooperation of the men and the complete utilization of all the equipment available for the project. The Board can recall in the past when nine trucks were placed on the project along with a bulldozer by the Federal Government that progress was far slower than in the past two years. The previous administration even placed a steamshovel on the project in conjunction with the Federal trucks and the progress was not as rapid as under the present regime. The Present Board has finished many roads which were started by the prior regime, but found not one of the roads started had been completed. The present group has attempted wherever possible to finish the roads which it started, and the Board believes that it has been quite successful in this.

Residents of South Bellingham have been suffering from many roads that were impassable for many months of the year. Previous Selectmen had apologized for their condition, and stated that as much as they regretted it that there was nothing that could be done about improving the condition of these terrible roads. They stated that the State would not permit them to repair these roads. In that statement the previous Board was correct. The State would not permit the present Board to repair the roads. They stated that the Federal Government would also not permit them to repair the roads. In that statement they were not correct, for no project was ever drawn up in this

town which covered these roads. The present Board is pleased to state that it did not intend to continue to apologize for the condition of the roads in the Southern part of the Town, but determined to do something about the roads instead. The Board is pleased to give a list of streets repaired in the area that were banned by the Mass. Department of Public Works, but which the Board has been able to repair in the past two years, along with the approximate length of the same:

Name	Miles	Name	Miles
California Ave.	.3	Prenton St.	.4
Garden St.	.3	Pleasant St.	.2
Salisbury St.	.2	Stockholm St.	.2
Westminister St.	.2	Lafayette St.	.2
Prospect St.	.2	Linwood Ave.	.5
Dewey St.	.1	Elbow St.	.4
Norfolk St.	.2	Irving St.	.4
Pothier St.	.2	Winter St.	.3
Essex St.	.5	Spring St.	.3
Suffolk St.	.3	Pine Grove Ave.	.22
Orchard St.	.4	Muron Ave.	.24

The Board is proud of its record for overcoming the obstacles which prevented the people of South Bellingham from obtaining passable roads out of their property, and wish to state that all the roads of South Bellingham are now in passable condition for the first time in the history of the Town. In another year the Board hopes to arrange by special appropriation for a fund to tar some of these

roads before they deteriorate to the condition in which the Board found them. There does not seem to be any hope of aid from the state in tarring the above roads, and thus there seems to be no other alternative but a special appropriation for their improvement in conjunction with a Federal Project for the tarring of the same.

The Board also lists the other streets repaired with the approximate mileage of the same:

Name	Miles	Name	Miles
Depot St.	1.0	Maple	1.8
Hickson	.7	Center St.	.6
Taunton	.7	Chestnut St.	.5
Nason St.	.6	Wrentham St.	.7
Farm St.	1.3	Cross St.	.2
Mann St.	.5	Blackstone	.8
Harpin St.	.7	High	.4

The W. P. A. is still working on the Farm to Market roads project, and the Board hopes eventually to be able to repair all the roads of the Town through this project.

Gypsy Moth Project: The W. P. A. creosoted and sprayed with arsenate of lead an area ranging from 50' to 200' wide along all the highways of the Town. This project did wonders in keeping the Gypsy moth under control in Bellingham: The men also thinned out 30 or 40 acres of brush land nearby seriously reducing fire hazards, and spread of the gypsy moths.

Sidewalk Project: The Board had hoped to start construction on this project on South Main Street from Center Street up to the High School, but the County has not as yet made its final land taking on that stretch of road. Progress on this project was hampered by the inability to secure assignment of sufficient carpenters and cement finishers on the project, and the late start of the project. The assignment Division was reluctant to place carpenters and cement finishers on the project, because inclement weather was apt to shut the project down at any time. Uncertain weather hampered the progress of project noticeably. Sidewalks which were constructed can be compared favorably with that of surrounding towns. The project was suspended and can be reopened in the Spring. Federal Government's contribution of \$3,000.00 worth of cement on this project will lower cost of project to taxpayers considerably. This roughly is $\frac{3}{8}$ ths of the total cost of cement allowed for in the project which calls for the construction of 5 miles of concrete sidewalks and curbs throughout the Town. Project called for \$28,435.00 Federal Labor. The Board believes that this project will result in a vast improvement of Bellingham Real estate values as well as providing adequate protection for pedestrians in the settled areas of Bellingham.

Emergency Work: Bellingham's W. P. A. Workers herculean efforts speedily cleared the Town's many highways after the disastrous Hurricane. Within three days all the accepted town highways had been cleared, so as

to be made passable. This emergency work was continued by the W. P. A. until all the stumps along the highways, and the dangerous branches and trees had been removed. The Board believes that the W. P. A. did an excellent job in this emergency work. At the present time the W. P. A. is clearing out fire lanes and removing serious fire hazards in the woods around isolated homes which were seriously menaced by fallen timber which made the woods impassable. The W. P. A. has limbed and cut up into log lengths thousands of pines which were felled, and the branches were burned so as to remove that serious fire hazard. It is expected that this project will result in the clearing of all fire lanes in the woods and the cutting up of timber within 300' or 400' of homes. Unquestionably this will result in the lessening of the forest fire hazards now so serious in the woods of the Town.

Book Repair Project: This project has been in operation for a few months, and has resulted in the repair of several hundred books for the Schools and Library. This project will enable the town to save many books which otherwise would have been discarded, or repaired by private firms at the town's expense.

Playground Project: Although tremendous amounts of fill, loam and gravel have been put in place, this project has not been completed as yet. It is estimated that over 70,000 cubic yards of fill have been put in place on this project. Operations were slowed down for the following reasons: The Board was not able to secure a W. P. A.

engineer that could handle such a vast project until September of the past year. The excessive rainfall of the past summer and spring mired the equipment at frequent intervals and presented the Board with a serious problem of proper drainage of the football field, that had not been expected. This drainage problem has been solved but the engineer was obliged to put in a much deeper fill than was planned in the project. This naturally slowed down the project very noticeably. The project was also handicapped by lack of proper equipment to properly accomplish the job. The town really needed a steamshovel and better trucks on the project. The Board would have liked to furnish the above but the financial condition of the Town prevented the Board from doing so. As a result the Board was obliged to carry on this project with loaders and antiquated trucks. Equipment was continually breaking down and the Board was unable to replace the same with proper equipment. With the start of the W. P. A. water works project it is believed that the Board can furnish the equipment necessary for the speedy completion of the project, so that it can be used this coming year. The Board spent considerable time grading the grounds about the high school so as to make it appear presentable. The contractor did only rough grading and no filling. The architects plans neglected to provide for stairs and walks leading to the High School, in fact failed to provide for the stairs which would enable the pupils to reach the main floor of the school from the ground level. The Board attempted to

secure permission to construct the stairs and walks with W. P. A. labor, but it could never secure the same. The W. P. A. stated that there was no earthly reason why the P. W. A. High School Project did not provide for the stairs and walks asked for by the Town. The W. P. A. permitted the Board to do all the grading and filling necessary for the stairs and walks, but the actual laying of the forms and cement was paid for by the Town. It is estimated that the stairs and walks cost the town nearly \$900.00 out of the W. P. A. appropriation. This expense was not anticipated by the Board which felt that it should have been taken care of by the contractor. If the W. P. A. had not constructed these stairs and walks the high school could not have opened as it did. The Board feels that its landscaping has greatly improved the appearance of the High School. This extra work prevented the W. P. A. from completing its fill for the football and baseball fields. With reasonable weather, sufficient men and equipment available, then the Board feels that the football and baseball fields can be made ready for use during the coming summer and fall.

Engineering Project: During the past 10 months a group of W. P. A. Engineers, surveyors, draftsmen, and rod men have been gathering together information and notes necessary for the laying out of a map which will contain the Town bounds, the layout of all roads and bounds, properly coordinated with the bounds of other towns, and reduced to a scale. This will be the first accu-

rate map that has ever been made of the Town, and will be the basis of another project which will locate all the real estate of the Town correctly on the various streets, and in relation to other property adjoining the same. This will enable the Board of Assessors to locate all the taxable property of the town, and will settle all problems arising from boundary lines. This project has been making satisfactory progress to date.

Surplus Commodities: This project was more expensive than in past years to operate for several reasons: first the Board paid approximately \$400.00 per year to the Federal Government to defray the cost of materials used on the sewing project. This is a cost which did not exist prior to the close of 1937. Secondly the town must defray the cost of all bags, paper containers of all types, twine, and other supplies necessary for the project. This and the fact that the town must defray the cost of transporting all these commodities to the needy recipients of the Town. Thirdly during the past year the Commodities in amount and quantity have far exceeded that of prior years. Total cost value of commodities passed out by the Commodity division to needy of the Town was nearly \$22,000.00 during the past year.

The Board has on hand ready to operate or in the process of securing approval from the Federal Government, the following projects:

1. Town Wide Concrete Sidewalk Project, only small amount of funds available for this project have been used.
2. Drainage Project. This project carries out the recommendations of the Engineering firm of Metcalf and Eddy which made the survey of the drainage problems of South Bellingham. This project has had the approval of the Federal Government and calls for over \$8,000.00 Federal Labor. It is expected that this project will straighten out some of the drainage problems of South Bellingham, for it calls for the construction of drainage pipe and open drain connecting with the drain which now crosses Center St. and send the water via Summer St. to the Peters River, instead of its present course.
3. A school records project which will tabulate and classify the past school records of Bellingham School Children, will be of considerable value to School Department. In process of approval by the Federal Government. Federal Funds \$3,828.00.
4. Bellingham's W. P. A. Water Project, calls for the installation of over 52,000 feet of water mains, throughout various parts of the Town. This project

to used in conjunction with the P. W. A. project will provide water for many residents of the town which could not be reached by the P. W. A. project. Total cost of the project to the Town and Federal Government to be nearly \$207,000.00. The Board expects speedy approval of this project which will bring about the fulfilling of the hopes of the progressive minded people of Bellingham, by giving the residents of Bellingham the Town water which it has needed so badly for these many years.

The Board of Selectmen wish at this time to extend their sincere appreciation to the many W. P. A. workers of the Town for the splendid work that they have done on the various projects during the past year. The Board appreciates their cooperation which have made it possible for the present Board to accomplish more Town improvements in the past year than in any year in the Town's history.

In closing the present Board believes that it has done its utmost to give the Town of Bellingham an able and efficient administration. All departments under its immediate control have been managed with efficiency and economy, despite the very heavy relief load which the Board has been obliged to take care of on the Highway and W. P. A. The Board has endeavored to give the Town

something worthwhile for the money expended on the Highways and W. P. A. The Board would have preferred having more equipment on the various jobs, but the Board felt that the Town could not afford the expense of all the equipment that was necessary for the most efficient operation of all the various jobs in the Town.

We wish to extend our appreciation to the various Town officials for their cooperation during the past year.

PAUL ROBIDOUX, Chairman

JOHN J. CLANCY

WALTER LEBLANC

Selectmen of Bellingham.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BELLINGHAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

The Board of Trustees of the Bellingham Free Public Library present the following report:

The Board of Trustees have held to the same organization as in the preceding years. Sara A. Perry, Secretary; Marie P. Cooke, Librarian; Ethel Cork at Crook's Corner branch; and Thelma Lakeman at Caryville.

We have received many books and magazines from the Legion. Several people in the town have given books and magazines.

Our Librarian does very good work and receive a very small salary; we are fortunate in having people who take so much interest in the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

SARA AYER PERRY,

Secretary.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

To the Trustees of the Free Public Library:

The report of the Library ending December 31, 1938:

Our Library fills a need in our town that cannot be overlooked. We aim to be helpful always, to every patron who visits us.

Too much cannot be written for the school children. They are the coming citizens and every thing depends upon their start, and we feel it is our duty to start them right. In these serious times we must do our part towards making them upright and loyal citizens. The library is doing its utmost for the children with the inspiring co-operation of the teachers.

We have always been of service to the High School Students but now that we have a new High School in our town we hope to accomplish much more for them.

Our circulation has increased very much in the North Branch also at the North School.

As usual we have received childrens books from the Division of Public Libraries, State House, Boston, Mass., also a great many books have been mended by them and non-fiction books have been loaned.

I would express grateful appreciation to the Trustees for their help and support and to the Teachers and Janitor sincere thanks for their helpful cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE P. COOKE,
Librarian.

Books added from January 1, 1938 to December 31, 1938

Classified Books

All In A Life Time	Guest
Doctors On Horseback	Flexner
Home Grown	Lutz
Horse and Buggy Age of New England	Mitchell
How To Talk To People	Lawrence
Keeping Mentally Alive	Cotton
Lincoln Library of Essential Information	
Seven League Boots	Holliburton
The Best of American Humor	French
Why We Behave Like Human Beings	Dorsey
Woolcott Reader	Woolcott
Bartlett's Familiar Quotations	

Fiction

April Gold	Lutz
Bread Unto Roses	Norris
Bullets For Buckaroos	Mac Donald
Brentwood	Lutz
Blazed Trails	Hilton
Boomerang Clue	Christie
Benefit Street	Abbott
Crucible	Williams
Calamity Jane of Deadwood	Hueston
Cathedral Close	Goodyear
Coyote Gulch	Field
Crime At Normes	Crofts

Daphne Deane	Lutz
Dark Valley	Gregory
Evergreen Tree	Taber
Enchanted Oasis	Baldwin
Four Men And A Prayer	Garth
Five Furies Of Leaning Ladder	Bower
Gone With The Wind	Mitchell
Gold Is Where You Find It	Ripley
Girl In Golden Rags	Chambers
Give Me One More Summer	Loring
Good-bye Mr. Chips	Hilton
Homing	Lutz
Honeyball Farm	Dell
Home For Christmas	Douglas
Ill Wind	Hilton
If I Had Two Apples	Lawrence
Illarian Spring	Bridge
Iron Will	Banning
Jane Of Lantern Hill	Montgomery
Keziah Coffin	Lincoln
Katrina	Solminon
Low Bridge	Abbott
Marriage Is Possible	Widdemer
Miss Deans Dilemma	Stevenson
Mother Of The Bride	Rosmon
Miss Buncle's Book	Stevenson
Miss Buncle Married	Stevenson
Noris	Mother
Men Are Such Fools	Coolidge

Marrige For Rosamond	Hawk
Marshal Of Sundown	Gregory
Magnificent Obsession	Douglas
Moons Our Home	Baldwin
Navy Blue And Gold	Bruce
Northwest Passage	Roberts
Nutmeg Tree	Sharp
Not Under The Law	Lutz
Puritan Strain	Baldwin
Proud Heart	Buck
Robina Goes Modern	Cruv
Return Of The Native	Hardy
Raiders Of The Spanish Peaks	Grey
Rome Haul	Edmunds
Smart	R. F. D.
Shining Cloud	Pedler
Swift Waters	Parmenter
Stampede	Mann
Square Peg	Mansfield
Soldiers, Sailors And Dogs	Kyne
Storm Girl	Lincoln
Story Of A Whim	Lutz
Smoky Years	Le May
Sudden Bill Dorn	Gregory
Silas Crockett	Chase
To Ride The River With	Raine
Tish Marches On	Rinehart
The Doctor	Rinehart
Tuesday Never Comes	Larrimore

Trouble Rides The Wind	Bower
Tree Dropes A Leaf	Ayers
The Running Of The Deer	Wickenden
The Spiders Touch	Williams
The Citadel	Cronin
The Rains Came	Bromfield
That Man Is Mine	Baldwin
Winter In April	Nathan
West Of The Pecos	Grey
White Banners	Douglas
Victoria Four Thirty	Roberts

Juvenile Books

Abbie Ann	Martin
A Week With Andy	Pitman
Adventures In 4-H	Anderson
Automobile From Start To Finish	Reck
Billy Gene's Play Days	Lynch
Bluebonnets For Lucinda	Sayers
Boy Pioneers	Beard
Brooklets Story	Frye
Browne Reader	Browne
Boys Book Of Cowboys	Crump
Boys Life Of Thomas Jefferson	Nicolay
Box In The Sand	Rice
Bobbsy Twins In The Country	Hope
Bunny Brown And Sister Sue	Hope
Cabin In The Woods	Pennell

Children Of The Covered Wagon	Carr
Cubby Bear	Ellingwood
Childs Garden of Verse	Stevenson
Daughter Of The Rich	Waller
Eskimo Land	Hawkes
Father Takes Us To Boston	Humphrey
Fire Fighters	Flaherty
Fighting Fire	Hill
Fairy Tales	Anderson
Folklore Stories And Proverbs	Wiltse
Faries And Chimneys	Fyleman
Fun At Sunnyside Farm	Minor
Friends And Helpers	Eddy
First Electrical Book For Boys	Morgan
Good Times With Beverly	Pennell
Hay Village Children	Siebe
Hans Brinker Or The Silver Skates	Dodge
Hills Of Gold	Grey
Jolly Good Times	Smith
Jack The Young Ranchman	Grinnell
John Of The Woods	Brown
Jolly Number Tales	Buswell
Kelpie The Gipsies Poney	Williams
Lost Corner	Simon
Little Dog Tobey	Field
Little Plays For Little People	Noyes
Little Maid Of Old Maine	Curtis
Little Maid Of Fort Pitt	Curtis
Little Folks Of Many Lands	Chance

Little Men	Alcott
Midget And Bridget	Hader
Magic Loaves	Brister
Mother Natures Children	Gould
Nelly Curtis	Mac Donald
Mary Of Plymouth	Otis
Man's Long Climb	Lansing
Million Whys	Ilin
Old Friends And New	Pennell
Old Sailors Yarn Box	Faryeon
Oregon Chief	Hudspeth
Our Story Reader	Kirk
Princess And The Goblin	Mac Donald
Rhymes And Stories	Lansing
Red True Fairy Book	Lang
Robinson Crusoe	De Foe
Red Caboose	Perry
Silver Beau	Brown
Sunshine School	Audress
Summer Fun	Audress
Snow-White And The Seven Dwarfs	Grimm
Stories Old And New	Sheriff
Six Little Bunkers At Cousin Toms	Hope
Street Of Gold	Fischer
Three For An Acorn	Baker
Treasurer In The Little Trunk	Orton
Willie Foxe's Diary	Hilkene
We Look About Us	Craig
Young And Field Reader	Young

Yankee Ships In Pirate Waters	Holland
Young Cowboy	James

Magazines

American Boy	Good Housekeeping
Child Life	Popular Mechanics
Dumb Animals	

Accessions

Volumes added by purchase	170	
By Gift	18	
By Division of Public Libraries Circulation	22	210
From Library	11,896	
Crook's Corner	8,114	7 464
North School	680	
North Branch	2,340	23,030 2560

Lent to Branches

To Crook's Corner	620	710
To North School	100	100
To North Branch	460	1,180

Regulations For 1938

The Free Public Library is open on Friday from 10:30 A. M. to 4:00 P. M. (Legal Holidays excepted) when the Library will be open on Thursday instead.

Branch Library at Crook's Corner in the Community Building from 12:30 to 5:00 P. M. and 7:00 to 9:00 P. M. in charge of Mrs. Ethel Cook.

North Branch in the home of Mrs. Thelma Lakeman on Wednesday from 2:00 to 4:00 P. M. and 7:00 to 8:00 P. M.

For each day that a book is kept beyond the prescribed time a fine of two cents is charged.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE P. COOKE

Librarian.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

My report for the year 1938 is submitted herewith.

The report includes the statements required by the General Laws. There is a list of the receipts and payments in accordance with the Classification of the Division of Accounts, a list of the Town Indebtedness, and a list of the appropriations made, amounts, purposes spent for, unexpended balances and a list of the unpaid bills.

Balance sheet of December 31, 1938.

WILLIAM W. FAIRBANKS,

Town Accountant.

RECEIPTS**General Revenue****Taxes****Current Year:**

Polls	\$ 1,350.00
Personal and Real Estate	44,161.65
Real Estate collected by	
Treasurer	179.64
Motor Vehicle Excise	4,137.02
	49,828.31

Previous Years:

Polls	144.00
Real Estate and Personal	32,197.36
Motor Vehicle Excise	1,225.54
Redemptions	2,927.70

From State:

Income Tax	13,209.89
Corporation Tax	4,711.61
Corporation Tax, Gas & Light	1,073.64

Licenses and Permits

Licenses:

Radio	12.00
Used Car	20.00
Acohol	1.00
Common Victualers	28.00
Ice Cream	12.00
Dance	28.00
Pool	6.00
Circus	50.00
Carnival	30.00
1-day beer	10.00
7-day beer	14.00
Wines and Malt Beverages	630.00
All liquors	904.00
Peddler	5.00
Club	100.00
Auctioneer	2.00
All other	11.00

Fines and Forfeits

Court fines	74.00
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Grants and Gifts

From State:

Mass. School Fund	7,215.40
Superintendent of Schools	1,160.00
English Speaking Classes	180.00
Aid to Industrial Schools	8.00

From County:

Dog licenses	526.60	9,090.00
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Total General Revenue	116,345.05
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Commercial Revenue

Departmental:

Collector—telephone calls	10.00
Town Clerk—telephone	14.05
Fires—reimbursement	21.00
Sealer—fees	15.90

Highways:

Contract	5,786.21
Land damages—Center St.	344.66
Chapter 500—Acts of 1938	2,050.00
Commissioners Award	200.00
Division of Highways	200.00
Flood Control	1,400.00
Machinery Revenue Account	2,574.00

Health:

Subsidies to Cities & Towns	212.86
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Charities:

Federal Emergency Relief	30.43
Individuals—Reimbursements	171.90
Other Cities and Towns	703.71
State	1,061.11
U. S. Old Age Assistance— Assist.	10,659.87
U. S. Old Age Assistance— Admin.	355.66
U. S. Aid to Dep. Children	800.66
State—Aid to Dep. Children	258.00
State Aid	570.00
Military Aid	128.00
Veterans' Exemption	17.43

Schools:

Tuition of State Wards	2,317.42
Sale of Tax Title Possessions	536.50

Interest:

Deferred Taxes	1,741.77
Tax Titles	306.51
Total Commercial Revenue	32,487.65

Municipal Indebtedness

Temporary Loans	75,000.00
High School Loan	54,000.00
Premium & Interest on H.S. Loan	217.50
Municipal Relief Loan—1938	9,000.00
Tax Title Loan	5,000.00
Federal High School Contribution	38,181.85

Total Municipal Indebtedness

181,399.35

Agency and Trust

Dog licenses	611.40
Cemetery Perpetual Care—Principal	102.50
Cemetery Perpetual Care—Income	198.25
Total Agency and Trust	912.15

Refunds

Insurance	70.43
Old Age—Special	63.10
Land Court	114.60
Overpayments	41.00
Gasoline Taxes	257.34
Total Refunds	546.47

Adjustments

Transfers between Milford and Boston Banks on account of High School Fund	3,623.15
Total Receipts	343,881.21

PAYMENTS**General Government**

Moderator, salary	20.00
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Selectmen:

Salaries	175.00
Telephone	134.01
Printing, Stationery, Postage	27.23
Transportation	10.00
Clerk	88.52
Posting warrants	48.00
	482.76

Accountant:

Salary	500.00
Telephone	61.31
Printing, stationery & postage	20.16
	581.47

Treasurer:

Salary	300.00
Recording fees	57.47
Land Court	406.00
Printing, stationery & postage	269.82
Bond	65.00
Telephone	63.34
Check Writer	40.00
Miscellaneous	8.64
	1,210.27

Collector:

Salary	823.80
Expenses of tax sales	221.55
Telephone	50.23
Printing, stationery & postage	141.69
Bond	150.00
Recording fees	46.78
Jurat fees	11.50
Dues	2.00
Insurance	36.25
	1,483.80

Assessors:

Salaries	1,206.25
Printing, stationery & postage	17.81
Auto	55.50
All others	49.40
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All others	1,328.96

Certifying Notes	28.00
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Legal:

Services of Town Counsel	220.00
Recording fees	11.22
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	231.22

Town Clerk:

Salary	288.00
Recording fees	68.81
Printing, stationery & postage	29.20
Bond	7.50
Fees	73.30
Telephone	58.14
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	524.95

Election and Registration:

Registrars	140.00
Election officers	325.38
Printing, stationery & postage	168.00
Posting notices	9.00
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	642.38.

Town Hall:

Janitor	608.73
Fuel	233.58
Light	143.41
Janitor's supplies	37.39
Repairs	91.35
Gas	18.03
Insurance	189.75
All other	12.07
	1,334.31

Community Building:

Insurance	103.50
Light	18.09

Total for General Government	7,989.71
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PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police:

Chief	600.00
Other Officers	296.25
Printing and postage	5.00
Telephone	82.56
Typewriter	35.00
Equipment	10.17
Signs	5.50
Lock-up rent	75.00
Food at lock-up	2.80
Fees to Court Officer	4.00
	1,116.28

Fires:

Chief	200.00
Firemen	118.39
Telephone	24.47
Printing	7.35
Siren	295.00
Hired fire truck	20.00
Apparatus and parts	36.04
Hose	350.00
Firemen, other towns	70.00
Gas, oil, repairs	73.55
Damages	7.00
	1,201.80

Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Sealer	60.00
Truck	15.48
Equipment	24.52
	100.00

Tree Warden:

Labor	99.75
Printing	5.75
Sharpening saws, etc.	6.10
	111.60

Moth Extermination:

Labor	99.45
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Forest Fires:

Warden	113.92
Men	337.10
Truck	45.20
Dues	5.00
Repairs	10.25
Equipment	31.53
Telephone	56.99
Postage .....	.01
	600.00
Total Protection of Persons and Property	3,229.13

Health and Sanitation

Health:

Salaries	35.00
Clerk	10.00
Medical	51.20
Inspection	158.15
Norfolk Co. Hospital	451.10
Vital Statistics, fees	11.25
Printing, postage	21.43
District Nurse	100.00
	838.13

Highways

Highways, Ch. 81:

Superintendent	532.70
Drivers	687.00
Wages	3,247.75
Truck hire	1,110.74

Stone, gravel, etc.	641.06
Roller operator	198.00
Patch	125.88
Grader operator	202.75
Roller Hire	556.25
Machinery Revenue account	2,765.25
Telephone	19.21
Tar	2,460.12
Paint	73.50
Castings	11.00
Pipe	84.97
Culvert	138.33
Scraper Hire	197.60
	13,052.61

Highways, Ch. 90:

Superintendent	13.50
Wages	1,173.40
Truck Drivers	110.00
Gravel	676.78
Hired Equipment	30.00
Tar	591.05
Grader Operator	41.60
Machinery Revenue account	220.25
Roller operator	37.50
Roller hire	60.00
	2,954.08

Snow Removal:

Superintendent	143.97
Truck Drivers	398.70
Labor	599.00
Hired Trucks	296.50
Gasoline	33.15
Plow hire	177.00
Freight	4.93
Telephone	15.67
Plow Repairs	21.50
Sand	11.41
Plow	298.17
	2,000.00

Flood Control:

Drivers	44.70
Labor	243.00
Machinery Revenue account	43.50
Superintendent	26.75
	357.95

Street Lighting:

Union Lt. and Power Co.	1,487.89
Boston Edison Co.	567.04
	2,054.93

Machinery Account:

Gas, Oil and Grease	1,537.00
Labor and repairs	229.28
Parts	309.47
Garage Rent	74.00
Plates (registration)	8.00
Equipment	283.09
Insurance	25.97
Supplies	60.99
	2,527.80

Bridges and Railings:

Lumber	128.07
Spikes	3.78
Labor	46.00
Paint	11.26
Drivers	4.40
	193.51

Town Trucks:

Four New Chevrolets	3,236.00
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Wrentham Street:

Labor	877.25
Forman	40.00
Driver	17.60
Carpenter	304.00
Culvert	123.42
Tar	613.73
Machinery Revenue account	24.00
	2,000.00

Ch. 500—Acts of 1938::

Truck Drivers	97.00
Labor	1,878.75
Superintendent	23.25
Roller Operator	9.00
Machinery Revenue account	42.00
	2,050.00
Total for Highways	28,426.88

CHARITIES

Public Welfare:

Salaries	174.50
Printing, stationery & postage	91.52
Clerk	156.00
Groceries	7,231.94
Fuel	316.39
Medical	1,803.48
State Institutions	534.99
Cash	3,901.10
Commissary Expense	521.02
Adding Machine	30.00
Supplies	16.35
Axes	12.00
Miscellaneous	39.36
Telephone	51.40
Aid in other towns	705.79
Wood deliveries	51.25
Shoes	426.19
Rent	1,909.86
Funerals	147.00
Trudeau, expense	155.35
Reid, expense	96.60
Lewinsky, expense	5.50
Transportation	19.50
Clothing	46.75
Moving	26.00
	18,469.84

Old Age Assistance:

Printing, stationery & postage	2.11
Cash	23,940.60
Fuel	34.50
Board and care	10.25
Medical	3.00
Funerals	200.00
Ambulance	6.00
Miscellaneous	3.25
Trudeau, expense	11.00
Other cities and towns	517.41
Lewinsky, expense	8.00
Reid, expense	5.00
Refund to government	30.00
Administration	355.29
	25,126.41

Aid to Dependent Children:

Cash	5,532.70
Medical	71.45
Trudeau, expense	13.00
	5,617.15

Soldiers Relief:

Cash	1,961.00
Fuel	331.25
Groceries	705.16
Rent	39.50
Medical	554.71
Printing and miscellaneous	7.50
Wood deliveries	31.00

Wood sawing	14.25
Shoes	238.80
Transportation	11.50
Dues	2.00
Clothing	1.00
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	3,897.67

Total, Charities and Old Age

Assistance	53,111.07
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Schools and Libraries

Schools, see Financial Report of Schools	51,570.39
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Library:

Librarian	175.00
Assistants	104.00
Janitor	52.00
Books	150.39
Incidentals	24.52
Insurance	35.77
Fuel	27.00
Lights	9.08
Cartage on books	20.50
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Total schools and library	52,168.65

Schools, Special

Trade School Tuition	127.44
High School Building Fund:	
Advertising	284.27
Architect	5,600.95
Clerk of works	1,936.00
Contractor	78,640.13
Cement Inspector	198.00
Express on cement .....	.50
Testing cement	10.00
Insurance	359.23
Postage	15.70
Legal-jurats	17.75
Certifying notes	54.00
Printing notes	50.71
	87,167.24
Total, special schools	87,294.68

Damage to Persons and Property

Compensation	471.00
Medical	81.00

Unclassified**Memorial Day:**

Expense to committee	15.00
Labor on monument and common	15.00
Flags	7.50
Cartridges	9.10

Flowers	47.02
Hired Organizations	40.00
Bus Hire	12.00
Food and supplies	29.54
	175.16
Printing Town Reports	349.20
 Maintenance Norfolk County	
Hospital	977.96
McCarthy, land damage	25.00
Furniture	200.00
Unpaid Bills, Prior Years	5,635.52
Total Unclassified	7,362.84

Enterprises and Cemeteries

Water Construction Survey Account:

Preliminary Survey	500.00
Stearns, travel	27.00
Telegrams	4.10
Clerk hire	9.00
Rent of transit	40.00
Survey of users	3.00
Expenses of water committee	240.00
Expense of clerk	18.00
	841.10

Cemeteries:

Labor	83.00
Truck hire	4.00
Supplies	6.35
	93.35

W. P. A.:

General Administration:

Clerk	936.00
Travel and Expense, clerk ..	104.23
Supplies	54.72
Sponsor's Agent, expenses ..	112.00
Telephone	81.25
	1,288.20

Surplus Commodities:

Auto	255.00
Labor	48.48
Truck hire	66.61
Supplies	20.75
Bags	93.38
Refrigerator	7.50
	491.72

Historical:

Typewriters	105.00
Supplies	36.93

Farm to Market Roads:

Truck hire	334.10
Gas, Oil and Repairs	1,585.98
Supplies	74.52
Gravel	693.70
Truck Insurance	259.90
Loader Rent	330.00
Grader operator	40.30
Garage Rent	42.00
Labor	4.64
	3,365.14

Playground:

Truck hire	416.25
Gas, Oil and Repairs	876.26
Supplies	371.85
Miscellaneous	7.45
Green Sward	54.72
Boots	69.40
Shovel hire	365.35
Truck Insurance	174.24
Grader Operator	95.55
Grage Rent	26.00
Tires	52.00
Labor	393.55
Tractor Hire	70.00
Transit rental	60.00
	3,032.62

Supervision:

T. E. Foley	190.60
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Moth:

Supplies	74.08
Arsenate of Lead	110.88

Engineering:

Supplies	125.79
Plans	4.90
L. R. Trudeau, mileage	44.10

Emergency:

Supplies and tools	90.87
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Sewing:

Materials	295.52
Repairs	2.30
	297.82

Loader purchase	236.00
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Sidewalk:

Cement	454.10
Freight	16.69
Labor	8.45
Miscellaneous	2.50
	481.74

Total Enterprises and Cemeteries	10,910.84
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Interest and Maturing Debt

Interest:

Anticipation of Revenue	501.60
Schoolhouse loan	247.50
Library and community	
Bldg. Loan	475.00
Emergency Finance Loan	70.00
Municipal Relief Loan	163.00
High School Loan	675.00
	2,132.10
Temporary Loans	35,000.00
Schoolhouse Loan	1,500.00
Library Loan	2,000.00
Emergency Finance Loan	2,000.00
	40,500.00
Total Interest & Maturing Debt	42,632.10

Agency and Trust and Refunds

State Tax	6,970.00
County Tax	2,505.14
Auditing	830.22
Parks and Reservations	99.82
	10,405.18
Dog Licenses, paid to County	607.80
Perpetual Care Funds, Principal	102.50
Perpetual Care Funds,	
Interest spent	198.25
Refunds, taxes on real estate and personal	9.65
Motor vehicle excise tax refunds	58.33
Transfers, between Milford and Boston Banks	3,623.15
Total payments	311,520.69

RECONCILIATION

Cash on hand, January 1, 1938	\$ 14,306.34
Receipts	343,881.21
Less Payments	358,187.55
Cash on hand, January 1, 1939	\$ 311,520.89
	\$ 46,666.66

OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS

December 31, 1938

Revenue Loans

Date of Issue	No.	Rate	Date of Maturity	Amount
March 15, 1938	244	.68%	March 15, 1939	\$15,000.00
June 20, 1938	249	.84%	June 20, 1939	25,000.00
July 20, 1938	254	.60%	July 20, 1939	25,000.00

General Debt

Schoolhouse Addition Loan			
Aug. 1, 1920	5½%	1939-1940	3,000.00
(\$1,500 annually)			

Library and Community Building

August 1, 1929	4½%	1939-1947	9,000.00
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Municipal Relief Loan—1937

Oct. 8, 1937	187-188	2¼%	1939-1941	1,800.00
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Municipal Relief Loan—1938

June 1, 1938	250-253	2¼%	1939-1942	4,000.00
Aug. 1, 1938	256-260	2¼%	1939-1943	5,000.00

Tax Title Loan

Aug. 1, 1938	255	1%	Aug. 1, 1939	5,000.00
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High School Loan

Feb. 1, 1938	189-242	2½%	1939-1958	54,000.00
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Water Construction

Authorized Loans:

W. P. A. Water Construction

Fund		\$ 50,000.00
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Water Construction Account

P. W. A.		186,760.00	236,760.00
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Total		\$383,560.00
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RECAPITULATION

APPROPRIATIONS	BALANCES JANUARY 1, 1938	TRANSFERS OR RECEIPTS	TOTAL
1938			

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
..... 20.00	..... 20.00	..... 20.00	..... 20.00	Moderator .....	.....	.....	.....
..... 10.00	..... 10.00	..... 10.00	..... 10.00	Finance Committee .....	.....	.....	.....
..... 475.00	..... 30.00	..... 505.00	..... 505.00	Selectmen .....	..... 482.76	..... 22.24	.....
..... 600.00	.....	..... 600.00	.....	Accountant .....	..... 581.47	..... 18.53	.....
..... 1,363.00	.....	..... 1,363.00	.....	Treasurer .....	..... 1,210.27	..... 152.73	.....
..... 1,370.00	..... 150.00	..... 1,520.00	.....	Collector .....	..... 1,483.80	..... 36.20	.....
..... 1,350.00	.....	..... 1,350.00	.....	Assessors .....	..... 1,328.96	..... 21.04	.....
..... 4.00	.....	..... 40.00	.....	Certifying Notes .....	..... 28.00	..... 12.00	.....
..... 500.00	..... 41.00	..... 541.00	.....	Town Clerk .....	..... 524.95	..... 16.05	.....
..... 650.00	.....	..... 650.00	.....	Election and Registration .....	..... 642.38	..... 7.62	.....
..... 1,200.00	..... 240.00	..... 1,440.00	.....	Town Hall .....	..... 1,334.31	..... 105.69	.....
..... 275.00	.....	..... 275.00	.....	Community Building .....	..... 121.59	..... 153.41	.....
..... 200.00	..... 36.00	..... 236.00	.....	Legal .....	..... 231.22	..... 4.78	.....
..... 1,100.00 30.40 1,130.40	Poli-e 1,116.28 14.12
..... 700.00 450.00 1,150.00	Fires 1,201.80 51.80

RECAPITULATION—Continued

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RECAPITULATION — Continued

		Interest and Maturing Debt	Agency and Trust	[152]
BALANCES JANUARY 1, 1938	RECEIPTS APPROPRIATIONS 1938	2,300.00	3,280.00	3,690.00
5,500.00	5,500.00	2,300.00	2,491.84	13.30
		Interest	County Tax	13.30
		5,500.00	90.89	8.93
		Maturing Debt	Parks and Reservations	8.93
		.....	90.89	.....
		.....	830.22	830.22
		.....	830.22	830.22
		.....	611.40	611.40
		.....	607.80	607.80
		.....	203.91	203.91
		17.00	17.00	17.00
		Penalty—Welfare 1937	.....	.....

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM, BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1938

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets	Liabilities
Cash	\$ 46,666.66
Accounts Receivable:	
Taxes:	
1936 M. V. Excise Taxes \$ 31.87	Temporary Loans
1937 M. V. Excise Taxes 288.34	Overlay 1936
1938 M. V. Excise Taxes 266.77	Overlay 1937
1936 Property Taxes ... 20.85	Overlay 1938
1937 Property Taxes ... 18,504.78	Overlay Surplus
1938 Property Taxes ... 39,604.68	M. V. Excise Tax Revenue
1937 Poll Taxes 140.00	Tax Title Revenue
1938 Poll Taxes 420.00	Tax Title Possessions Revenue
	Bond Sale Appropriation
	Balance
	Premium and Interest on
	High School Loan
	Excess and Deficiency
Tax Titles	Appropriation Balances Reserved:
Tax Title Possessions	Highways Chapter 81 ... \$ 447.39
Highways Accounts	Flood Control 1,042.05
Receivable	
Overdrafts (to be raised):	
Fires 51.80	Machinery Account
Health 38.13	Machinery Revenue
	Account
	Aid to Dependent
	Children—U. S. 394.17

U. S. Old Age Assistance Agency and Trust:

U. S. Old Age Assistance	1,825.89
—Admin. ....	.37
U. S. Old Age Assistance	
—Assist.	
High School Building Fund	12,514.61
W. P. A.	262.88
Water Construction Survey Account	11.11
Surplus- Tax Title Possessions Dog licenses-Agency & Trust	
3,819.16	\$135,449.17

WATER CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNTS

Loans Authorized	\$236,760.00	W. P. A. Water Con- struction Account	\$ 50,000.00
		Water Construction Account	186,760.00
			<u>\$236,760.00</u>

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded on Fixed Debt		
\$318,560.00	Schoolhouse Loan	\$ 3,000.00
	Tax Title Loan	5,000.00
	Municipal Relief Loans	10,800.00
	Library and Community Bldg. Loans	9,000.00
	High School Loan	54,000.00
	W. P. A. Water Loan— Unissued	50,000.00
	Water Construction Loan— Unissued	186,760.00
		<u>318,560.00</u>
		<u>\$318,560.00</u>
	Cemetery Trust Funds	\$318,560.00
	Mortgage Receivable Revenue	<u>7,638.33</u>
		<u>\$ 7,638.33</u>
Trust Funds—Cash in Banks		
148.80	Mortgages Receivable	148.80

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PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT

UNPAID BILLS OF 1938

Dr. J. Sheinkopf, Medway, Mass.	\$ 18.00
Dr. H. Shenker, Medway, Mass.	18.00
Dr. E. H. Tomb, Framingham, Mass.	15.00
Commonwealth of Mass'. State Infirmary	92.00
Phil and Co., Milford, Mass.	14.60
John Mecholoski, Bellingham, Mass.	8.00
Henry Billett, South Bellingham, Mass.	8.17
Henry McCarthy, Woonsocket, R. I.	20.00
Henry Houde, South Bellingham, Mass.	13.00
Earl V. Pickerung, Blackstone, Mass.	63.00
Antonio Paquin, South Bellingham, Mass.	12.00
Arthur Brown, North Bellingham, Mass.	8.00
Arthur Boisvert, Woonsocket, R. I.	4.03
Isaac W. Kay, Bellingham, Mass.	13.44
Cahills News Agency, Milford, Mass.	14.80
Carrier's, South Bellingham, Mass.	8.00
Arthur A. Rhodes, Bellingham, Mass.	6.50
Mass.' Hospital School, Canton, Mass.	19.71
Town of Milford, Mass.	89.32
Town of Blackstone, Mass.	77.00
Town of Medway, Mass.	26.00
Town of Medway, Mass.	121.83
Total	\$673.15

Old Age Department 1938**Unpaid Bills**

Arthur A. Rhodes	\$ 6.50
Town of Blackstone, Mass.	60.00
Total	<hr/> \$ 66.50

Public Welfare Department**Unpaid Bill of 1937**

Isaac W. Kay, Bellingham, Mass.	\$ 8.68
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CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS 1938

	Amount Deposit	Interest 1938	Paid Out L. Whitney	Balance Available for 1939
Lavina Taft	\$ 50.00	\$ 1.30	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.50
Amos Keach	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.45
Olive Cushman	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.45
Calvin N. Lockwood	100.00	2.57	2.50	2.76
Benjamin E. Marbel ..	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.50
Martin Rockwood	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.52
Ira Fish	50.00	1.30	1.50	1.30
Fred Sherburn	50.00	1.30	1.50	1.30
Warren Lazell	37.50	.95	1.00	1.14
George Nelson	25.00	.65	—	1.42
Young & Thayer	75.00	1.95	2.25	2.04
Albert G. Burr	40.00	1.00	1.00	1.08
Horatio Thayer	100.00	2.67	3.00	6.78
Albin Clark	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.54
Addison Burr	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.40
Orlando Clark	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.44
Eli Pond	25.00	.62	1.00	.70
Daniel Pickering	25.00	.62	.75	.67
William O. Rhodes	40.00	1.00	1.00	1.04
Samuel Darling	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.37
Emma A. Chilson	100.00	2.60	3.50	2.76
Cushman Smith & Eames	125.00	3.25	3.00	6.09
Joslin & Briggs	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.37
Mrs. Joseph Fisk	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.51
George Sherburn	75.00	1.95	2.00	2.13
Edwin Darling	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.54
Diana D. Shooner	75.00	1.95	1.73	2.08
Caleb Adams	75.00	1.95	2.00	2.14
Joseph Cross	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.52
David G. Jones	100.00	2.70	3.00	8.60
Nathan Rockwood	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.53
Henry Rockwood	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.36
Eugene Webber	100.00	2.62	4.00	3.20
Sarah Drake	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.42
Eliab Holbrook	100.00	2.60	3.00	3.45
Thompson Thayer	25.00	.85	—	15.19
George A. Ellis	100.00	2.60	3.00	4.56

E. H. & W. H. Thayer	100.00	2.70	5.00	6.02
Lizzie A. Graves	100	3.24	4.00	24.66
William S. Clark	100.00	2.65	2.50	7.11
Albert A. Handcock ..	100.00	2.60	3.50	3.49
Henry Whitney	75.00	2.32	3.00	17.62
Sullivan Bates	50.00	1.30	1.25	1.40
James O. Richardson ..	50.00	1.30	1.25	2.93
A. M. Clark	30.00	.75	—	1.14
Nathan Grant	60.00	1.57	1.25	3.81
Dexter Whitney	75.00	2.37	3.00	20.17
Joseph Burr	100.00	2.67	2.50	7.91
Albert Spaulding	25.00	.62	.50	1.65
George W. Blake	100.00	2.70	2.50	8.81
Aran Farrington	25.00	.62	.25	1.31
Ellis Lendskog	50.00	1.25	1.00	3.47
Charles H. Farrington ..	75.00	1.86	2.25	1.98
Manning Thayer	50.00	1.25	1.00	1.91
Milton Holbrook	50.00	1.25	1.25	3.09
Joseph Rockwood	100.00	2.70	2.50	7.97
Irving Rhodes	70.00	1.86	1.50	3.99
Wm. Thompson and C. Cook	50.00	1.25	1.00	1.38

Paid G. W. Lakeman

David F. Adams	100.00	2.55	2.55	2.56
Zelbena Bullard	100.00	2.55	2.95	2.57
B. Benedict	40.00	1.00	1.00	1.02
A. P. Eaton	50.00	1.25	1.35	1.25
Sarah Holbrook	100.00	2.55	2.70	2.55
Jarvis Cook	50.00	1.25	1.35	1.25
P. Bryant	100.00	2.55	2.70	2.58
Mary Metcalf	100.00	2.55	2.95	2.57
Phillip Parbridge	30.00	.75	.85	.76
Claresa H. Norcross ..	50.00	1.27	1.35	1.27
Laura A. Cook	25.00	.62	.65	.63
John & Ariel B. Drake ..	100.00	2.55	2.65	2.59
Valentine R. Coombe ..	50.00	1.27	1.25	1.29
Elijah Dewing	50.00	1.27	1.25	1.29
Stephen A. Coombe ..	25.00	.92	—	12.96

To accumulate until 1952

Jessie Coombs	25.00	.92	—	12.96
To accumulate until 1952				
Oak Hill Cemetery	500.00	18.50	—	259.31
To accumulate until 1952				
Amos H. Holbrook	100.00	2.55	2.80	2.56
George D. Lockwood	100.00	2.55	2.75	2.53
John M. Drake and W. E. Howes	100.00	2.55	2.00	2.94
Paid Wm. F. Wales				
Charles A. Mason	200.00	5.50	6.00	19.62
Marcus Crooke	50.00	1.25	1.00	2.41
Inaz Bolton	50.00	1.25	1.00	2.41
Avery Cook	200.00	5.52	6.00	20.77
Marian A. White	50.00	1.30	1.00	2.46
Willard Thayer	50.00	1.30	1.50	1.73
Hiram Crooks	100.00	2.53	1.00	2.78
Paid Lewis Whitney				
Alonzo N. Whitney	100.00	2.53	1.25	2.53
Charles P. Hancock ..	40.00	1.00	—	1.50
Paid G. W. Lakeman				
A. W. Wales	100.00	2.55	2.75	—
Paid W. F. Wales				
Phoebe A. Sherman ..	100.00	2.66	2.50	5.05
Nathan A. Cook	100.00	2.60	2.50	5.00
Hiram M. Cook	50.00	1.30	2.00	3.33
Charlot R. Wilcox	100.00	2.62	1.30	4.37
Charles W. Thayer	50.00	1.30	1.50	1.94
E. Barber	30.00	.77	1.00	1.67
E. L. Cook	100.00	2.50	2.50	2.50

REPORT of the SUPERINTENDENT of STREETS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit herewith my report as Superintendent of Streets.

Streets

The streets in town I believe, are in fair condition, considering the fact that frost has been quite severe this winter. The result is that several will need attention this year, particularly South Main Street. This street should be reconstructed from the entrance to the High School, grounds to Crook's Corner under Chap. 90.

Farm to Market Roads

Work was continued on the above roads, during the past year. Maple Street is now graveled and tarred the full distance. Gravel has been applied on Hixon, Farm, Depot, Winter, Spring, Essex, Center and Mann Streets.

Wrentham Street, Chap. 90

This Street including the widening of the Bridge approximately fourteen feet is completed.

Bridges and Railings

The bridges are in good condition, the railings need some attention. Paint was applied where most needed.

Snow Removal

This department has tried to remove the Snow as quickly as possible and I feel we have in a measure done as well as in past years.

Ice, forming on the Streets, which seems to have followed the several storms, we have endeavored to care for by sanding.

Tar and Asphalt

Tar was applied on the following streets: Hartford, North Main, Maple, Center, South Main, Chestnut, and Wrentham Streets.

Equipment

Four new Chevorlet Trucks were purchased this year, also three used Trucks all have given satisfactory service.

Recommendations

1. Tar Lake Street from Wrentham Street to Rakeville Cemetery so called.
2. Street Signs are badly in need of attention. Recommend that a few new ones be purchased.
3. Tar Orchard, Spring, Winter and Mann Streets. The last named street (Mann) affording a short-cut so called to Rathburn Street thereby reducing the distance to Woonsocket, from South Main Street.
4. Recommend that work be started on Lake Street this year.

5. Recommend that in conjunction with the Town of Franklin, that the section of street from Four Corners to the so called Hubbard Farm be reconstructed and tarred.

Conclusion

I personally extend in behalf of myself the employees of the Highway including W. P. A. workers our sincere thanks to your honorable board, Mr. Kneeland, Federal Engineer, Mr. Rowe, District Engineer for the many suggestions and co-operation.

TIMOTHY E. FOLEY,

Superintendent of Streets.

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Inspector of Slaughtering for the Town of Bellingham for the year ending December 31, 1938.

I have inspected all slaughtered animals that I have been requested to and have stamped the meat of said slaughtered animals as is required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

All domestic animals which are to be offered for sale or any part of which is to be offered for sale must be inspected at the time of slaughter and the meat properly stamped by the Inspector of Slaughtering. Domestic Animals slaughtered for home consumption need not be inspected and stamped.

Most of the local animal stock is sold alive and removed from the town for slaughter at a licensed slaughter house. I am of the opinion that those who have been careful to comply with the law covering the inspection, stamping of the same, and I wish to thank them for their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE SWEENEY,

Inspector of Slaughtering.

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

NORFOLK, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Bellingham:

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall, in Precinct No. 1, at the schoolhouse in Precinct No. 2, and at the Community Building in Precinct No. 3 in said Bellingham, on

MONDAY, MARCH 6. A. D. 1939
at twelve o'clock noon

for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes upon one ballot to the Election Officers for the following Town Officers:

Moderator, for the term of one year.

Town Clerk, for the term of one year.

Town Treasurer, for the term of one year.

Three Selectmen, for the term of one year.

Assessor of Taxes, for the term of three years.

Collector of Taxes, for the term of one year.

One member of the School Committee, for the term of three years.

One member of the School Committee, for the term of two years (to fill unexpired term).

One member of the Board of Public Welfare, for the term of three years.

Tree Warden, for the term of one year.

One member of the Cemetery Committee, for the term of three years.

Four Constables, for the term of one year.

Two Library Trustees, for the term of three years.

Also to bring in their votes upon the same ballot to the Election Officers upon the following question:

"Shall an Act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, entitled "An Act to authorize the placing of the office of Chief of Police of the Town of Bellingham under the Civil Service Laws," be accepted?"

The polls will be open at twelve noon and will close at eight o'clock in the evening.

SUBSEQUENT MEETING

And also to meet in the Town Hall in said Bellingham on
FRIDAY, MARCH 10, A. D. 1939
at 7:30 in the evening

then and there to act upon the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the reports of the several Boards and other Town Officers and act thereon.

Article 2. To vote appropriations for the following purposes, or to act or do anything in relation thereto:

- 1: Moderator's Salary. 2. Finance Committee. 3. Selectmen's Department. 4. Accountant's Department. 5. Treasurer's Department. 6. Tax Collector's Department. 7. Assessor's Department. 8. Certifying Notes. 9. Town Clerk's Department. 10. Election and Registration. 11. Town Hall. 12. Community Building. 13. Police Department. 14. Fire Department. 15. Sealer of Weights and Measures. 16. Moth Extermination. 17. Tree Warden. 18. Forest Fires. 19. Health. 20. Maintenance Norfolk County Hospital. 21. Highways General Repairs. 22. Bridges and Railings. 23. Snow Removal. 24. Signs and guide Boards. 25. Street Lighting. 26. Public Welfare. 27. Mother's Aid. 28. Old Age Assistance. 29. Soldier's Relief. 30. School Department. 31. Vocational Training. 32. Library. 33. Printing Town Report. 34. Memorial Day. 35. Unclassified. 36. Cemeteries. 37. Interest. 38. Reserve Fund. 39. Maturing Debt. 40. Damages to Persons and Property. 41. Highways Chapter 90. 42. Legal Department.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1940 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any notes or note as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, said sum of money to be under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen to pay for materials, supplies, and other expenditures necessary to carry on W. P. A. or other Federal Projects, or to act or do anything relative thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$1,000.) one thousand dollars, to be used in conjunction with State and County funds, for work to be done on South Main St., or to act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the operation of road equipment, said sum to be raised by transfer from available funds in the machinery Revenue account or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay bills incurred in prior years but not paid, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to establish street lights on Westminister Avenue and Linwood Avenue, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars (450.00) to pay the tuition of Bellingham pupils attending Vocational Schools, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to be turned over to the American Legion Post No. 218 to defray expenses for the Memorial Day Exercises, or to take any action thereon.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to prescribe the manner of giving notice of town meetings by specifying the number of places where warrants shall be posted: and by specifying the time of posting said warrants before the Town meetings.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to accept the deed and layout of a road off Cross St. in Silver Lake Section of Bellingham Center, or to act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with a Federal Project to roll and tar streets in the Town which the Mass. Department of Public works will not permit to be tarred under Chapter 81 Appropriation, or act or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to use the dog fund received from the county for maintenance of Schools or library as provided by sect. 172, Chapter 140, General Laws.

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And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public places designated by a vote of said town, seven days at least before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Bellingham this twenty-first day of February, A. D. 1939.

PAUL ROBIDOUX,
JOHN J. CLANCY,
WALTER LEBLANC,

Selectmen of Bellingham.

Attest:

A True Copy.

JOHN H. FOLEY, Constable of Bellingham.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

The Finance Committee organized in May, 1938 with Antonio Perreault as Chairman and James E. Wrenn, as Clerk.

The Finance Committee voted to pass over all articles not pertaining to finance.

Careful consideration was given the various articles of the warrants for the special town meetings and recommendations given the voters at the special Town Meetings.

The budgetary requirements of the various departments for 1939 have been given extremely careful consideration with a view of providing sufficient funds for the necessary functions of the different departments and at the same time keep the budget at the lowest possible amount.

We have given below in the first column the amounts asked by the various departments and in the second column the amounts recommended by your Finance Committee for the year 1939.

Recommendations of the Finance Committee

Town of Bellingham, Mass.

January 30, 1939

Article 2.

Items:

1. Moderator	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
2. Finance Committee	10.00	10.00

3.	Selectmen's Department	475.00	475.00
4.	Town Accountant	600.00	600.00
5.	Town Treasurer	1,163.00	1,163.00
6.	Tax Collector's Department	1,400.00	1,400.00
7.	Assessor's Department	1,370.00	1,350.00
8.	Certifying Notes	40.00	40.00
9.	Town Clerk	500.00	500.00
10.	Election and Registration	525.00	525.00
11.	Town Hall	1,200.00	1,200.00
12.	Community Building	500.00	400.00
13.	Police Department	1,200.00	1,100.00
14.	Fire Department	800.00	700.00
15.	Sealer of Weights and Measures	100.00	100.00
16.	Moth Extermination	50.00	50.00
17.	Tree Warden	100.00	100.00
18.	Forest Fires	500.00	500.00
19.	Health Department	1,000.00	1,000.00
20.	Norfolk County Hospital	1,000.00	943.44
21.	Highways—Chapter 81	6,175.00	6,125.00
22.	Bridges and Railings	100.00	100.00
23.	Snow Removal	1,500.00	1,500.00
24.	Signs and Guide Boards	None	None
25.	Street Lighting	2,650.00	2,650.00
26.	Public Welfare	9,500.00	8,500.00
27.	Mother's Aid	5,400.00	3,500.00
28.	Old Age Assistance	14,500.00	8,500.00
29.	Soldier's Relief	2,500.00	2,500.00

30.	School Department	53,195.00	No Action
31.	Vocational Training	No Action	No Action
32.	Library Department	600.00	684.00
33.	Printing Town Reports	375.00	375.00
34.	Memorial Day	200.00	150.00
35.	Unclassified	None	None
36.	Cemeteries	150.00	150.00
37.	Interest	3,000.00	3,000.00
38.	Finance Committee—		
	Reserve Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00
39.	Maturing Debt	8,500.00	8,500.00
40.	Damages to Persons and Property	550.00	550.00
41.	Highways Maintenance—		
	Chapter 90	1,000.00	500.00
42.	Legal Department	200.00	200.00
43.	South Main Street—		
	Chapter 90	None	1,000.00
Article 3.	No Action.		
Article 4.	No Action.		
Article 5.	No Action.		
Article 6.	No Action.		
Article 7.	No Action.		
Article 8.	No Action.		
Article 9.	No Action.		
Article 10.	No Action.		
Article 11.	No Action.		

Article 12. No Action.

Article 13. No Action.

Article 14. No Action.

ANTONIO PERREAULT, Chairman.

JAMES E. WRENN, Clerk.

MICHAEL F. RYAN

CARLTON P. GASKILL

WARREN D. BATES

TIMOTHY E. FOLEY

ALDERIC MARCET

ALPHONSE RIORDAN

ROGER RUE

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

**Town of Bellingham,
Massachusetts.**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1938.

SCHOOL DIRECTORY 1938-1939

School Committee

Name	Residence	Term Expires
Daniel J. Breen, Chairman	North Bellingham	1939
Albert Boudreau	South Bellingham	1939
Lester L. Lataille, Secretary	South Bellingham	1940

Superintendent of Schools

JULES I. PHILIE, A. B., Office: Bellingham High School. The Superintendent may be seen at his office at any time by appointment.

List of Teachers

BELLINGHAM CENTER SCHOOL

Name	Where Educated	Yrs. attended	Degree or Position	Began Service
Mabel D. DeCell, Principal	New Britain Normal	2	Grade 6	1929
Thomas Riley	Holy Cross College	.....Ph.B.	Grade 5	1937
Anna Heroux	Framingham Normal	2	Grades 3, 4	1927
Marian Gallipeau	Bridgewater Teach. Coll.	.....B.S.	Grades 1, 2,	1937

NORTH BELLINGHAM SCHOOL

George C. Roy, Principal	Providence College	.....B.A.	Grades 7, 8	1936
Agnes Riley	Worcester Normal	.....2	Grades 5, 6	1927
Clara Macey	Summer Sessions, Hyannis	.....2	Grades 3, 4	1913
Dorothy Dillon	Framingham Normal	.....3	Grades 1, 2	1936

SOUTH BELLINGHAM SCHOOL

Edward J. Leahy, Principal	Gorham Normal, Bridgewater	B.S.	Grade 8	1935
J. Russell Coonan	Holy Cross	A.B.	Grade 7	1935
Chilistine Negrotti	Worcester Normal	B.S.	Grade 5	1929
Mildred Trafton	Gorham Normal	2	Grade 4	1928
Gertrude Rhodes	Summer Sessions, Hyannis		Grade 3	1921
Marguerite F. Moran	Framingham Normal	2	Grade 2	1931
Mae Ryan	Worcester Normal	2	Grade 1	1922
Isabella Murphy	Regis College	A.B.	Grades 1, 5, 7, 8	1936
Frances Tyndall	Framingham State Teach Coll.		Grade 5B	

HIGH SCHOOL

Lionel R. Trudeau, Principal	Providence College	A.B.	French I. II. III.	1938
Winifred Dowd	Salem State Teachers Coll.	B.S.	Type I. II	1938
Frances Ellis	Regis	B.S.	Stenography I, II, Foods I, II	1938
James Keough	Providence College	A.B.	Clothing I, II Biology, English II	1938
George F. Fitzpatrick	Notre Dame	B.C.S.	Latin III, Plain Geometry, Civics	1938
Helen Lyons	Emmanuel	A.B.	Bookkeeping I, II Economics, Econ. Geography	1938
Harold Granger	Worcester Tech	B.S.	Latin I, II Algebra II, Trig Chemistry, Shop	1938

Evelyn E. Pinardi	Bowling Green U.	B.S.	English I, Jr. Bus. Traning, Salesmanship Ancient History, Italian I	1938
J. Francis O'Mara	Holy Cross	A.B.	Latin I, General Science, Algebra I, American History, Prob. of Democracy	1938
Mary Phylliss Baszner	Worcester Teach Coll.	B.S.	Grade 6	1938
Mary Lomax	Bridgewater Teach Coll	B.S.	Grade 6	1937
Linda Branca	Salem Normal	B.S.	Special Class	1937

School Nurses

Helen Grady, R. N.
 Ann Edwards, R. N.
 Assistant

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Janitors

Michael Ryan	North School	North Bellingham
Carleton Gaskill	Center School	Bellingham
John McCarthy	South School	South Bellingham
Henry Vezina	High School	South Bellingham

Transportation Agents

Johnson Bus Lines High School, Scott Hill, Rakeville, North, and Center Routes, Milford.

CALENDAR FOR PERIOD FROM
JANUARY 1, 1939 TO JUNE 1940

High School

Open January 3, 1939	Close February 21, 1939
Open February 23, 1939	Close April 13, 1939
Copen April 17, 1939	Close April 18, 1939
Open April 20, 1939	Close May 29, 1939
Open May 31, 1939	Close June 30, 1939
Copen for class instruction September 6, 1939	
	Close December 22, 1939
Open January 2, 1940	Close February 16, 1940
Open February 26, 1940	Close April 12, 1940
Open April 22, 1940	Close June 21, 1940

Elementary School

Open January 3, 1939	Close February 17, 1939
Open February 27, 1939	Close April 14, 1939
Open April 24, 1939	Close June 9, 1939
Copen for class instruction September 6, 1939	
	Close December 22, 1939
Open January 2, 1940	Close February 16, 1940
Copen February 26, 1940	Close April 12, 1940
Copen April 22, 1940	Close May 31, 1940

HOLIDAYS

October 12

November 23-24

May 30

Age of Admission to School

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January first of the year following the term when he wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade, but in every case the admission of a child under six shall be dependent upon the fitness of the child to profit by the work of the school, such fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September.

No School Signal

At 7:15, 7:30 and 7:45, it will be broadcast over WNAC. If there is no school in the morning, there will be none in the afternoon.

FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Year Ending December 31, 1938

General Appropriation	\$51,706.00
Transferred to Tuition Fund	130.00
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Amount Available for School	
Purposes	51,576.00
Total Expenditures	51,570.39
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Unexpended Balance	5.61
Balance of Tuition Fund	3.00
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Total Unexpended Balance	8.61

Reimbursements

General School Fund Part I	7,320.00
General School Fund Part II	7,215.40
Superintendent's Salary	1,160.00
Evening School	180.00
State Wards	2,317.42
Industrial School	8.00
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Total	18,200.82

Taxation Cost of School

Total Expenditures	51,697.39
Total Reimbursements	18,200.82
Net Cost by Taxation	33,496.57

Summary of Expenses

School Committee	75.00
Superintendent's Salary	1,455.16
Superintendent's Expenses	373.29
Teachers	25,315.55
Text Books	2,390.66
Supplies	1,987.23
Janitors	2,589.00
Fuel	1,684.78
Miscellaneous	686.05
Repairs	1,077.54
Health	848.50
Transportation	5,650.15
Tuition	5,686.08
Miscellaneous	49.80
New Equipment	1,478.30
Insurance	223.30
Tuition Fund	127.00
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Total	\$51,607.30

AGE AND GRADE — OCTOBER 1, 1938

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HIGH SCHOOL AGE AND GRADE — OCTOBER 1, 1938

Grade	Sex	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Total
Freshmen	M	4	10	6	2	1	—	—	—	23
	F	3	10	9	1	1	—	—	—	24
Sophomores	M	—	4	7	7	2	—	—	—	47
	F	—	3	9	8	—	—	—	—	20
Juniors	M	—	—	3	10	4	1	1	—	40
	F	—	—	1	12	—	2	—	—	20
Seniors	M	—	—	—	1	6	2	—	—	19
	F	—	—	—	1	6	2	—	1	15
Total		4	14	16	20	13	3	1	—	70
Grand Total		7	27	35	42	20	7	1	1	140

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

The School Committee of the Town of Bellingham hereby submits its annual report for the year ending December 31, 1938.

Our first real problem came with the resignation, in July, of our superintendent, John H. Gotschall. Mr. Gotschall had been with us for two (2) years during which time he had done laudable work, having been an influential advocate of a local high school, having devoted much time and effort in supporting a project for that local high school, and, having raised the standard of our schools to a new level. The members of the committee avail themselves of this opportunity to thank Mr. Gotschall publicly for his constructive work and to wish him well in his new position. We feel justly proud, however, in having discovered a fitting solution to our major problem in the person of Jules L. Philie, our present superintendent of schools. Mr. Philie was chosen from a field of fifteen candidates. He is a graduate of Holy Cross College, has done graduate work at the Rhode Island College of Education, Brown University, and Clark University. His teaching experience may be summarized as follows: Two years in Loyola High School, New York City; eight years in Woonsocket Senior High School; four years in Woonsocket Senior Evening School teaching civil service courses; and three years as principal of the Kendall Dean School, Slatersville, R. I.

Mr. Philie holds the following certificates: High School Teacher's Certificate in the State of Rhode Island; Elementary School Teacher's Certificate in the State of Rhode Island; Elementary School Principal's Certificate; superintendent's certificate for superintendency unions in the State of Mass. His qualifications and experinece led us to place the utmost confidence in him and to elect him as the logical man for the position. Our confidence and our action were justified and rewarded inasmuch as Mr. Philie immediately stepped in where Mr. Gotschall had left, and carried on successfully from that point. He followed the high school project through to a successful completion, improved working conditions for the children by causing certain timely repairs and replacements to be made and systematized the instruction in our schools by introducing courses of study in the different grades.

For the benefit of non-citizens, elementary and advanced americanization classes were conducted two evenings per week in both the North and South schools.

As formerly stated in our annual report, the Community Building was condemned for school purposes by the State Building Inspector and its occupancy for the past year by school pupils was tolerated only insofar as we could prove that something was being done to take care of those pupils in another building. We have therefore transferred the sixth grade and special class to the new high school building. The facilities of the Practical Arts and Household Arts departments in the high school are now available to special class pupils. We have also transferred an other sixth grade group from the South school to the high

school building. This last transfer has made it possible for us to remedy an overcrowded condition in the fifth grade. There are now two fifth grade divisions one of which occupies what was formerly the sixth grade room.

In the field of music, our music supervisor has extended his services to include the direction of the high school orchestra. For further details we refer you to the music supervisor's report.

Because of our local high school we were able to merge elementary and high school transportation and in so doing to lower our monthly transportation costs from \$738 to \$425.

The following repairs (some the indirect result of the hurricane) were made: At the Center school, the roof was reshingled, the flagpole was reset, the ceilings in the hallways were plastered; at the South school, the main roof was patched, the sub-roof over the Franklin road entrance was reshingled, the lavatories were partly renovated, and the ceilings in the stairway and the hallway were plastered. For 1939, arrangements have been made for a W. P. A. repair project which will include painting, plastering, renovating, etc. . . . in the South school.

The building of sidewalks in the vicinity of the South school has made it possible for our Junior Traffic Patrol to work more efficiently insuring greater safety for our children.

As regards the local high school, may it suffice to say that we are thoroughly convinced that it is in all ways a decided asset to the town and to its inhabitants. A per-

usal of the reports of the Superintendent and High School Principal respectively will no doubt verify our statement.

We offer our sincere thanks to the members of the Building Committee, to the members of the Board of Selectmen, to the Superintendent of Streets to all other town officials, and to W. P. A. Officials and workers for their wholehearted cooperation with the School Department in time of need.

As to our budget for the year 1939, we are asking for a gross appropriation which is somewhat larger than that of 1938. We know, however, that you, citizens of Bellingham, fully realize that the net appropriation and not the gross appropriation is the important factor in determining the tax rate. We therefore point with pride to the fact that because of the large reimbursements to be paid the Town on account of General School Fund Part I. General School Fund Part II, Superintendent's Salary, Tuition of State Wards, and Citizenship Classes, our net appropriation (net cost by taxation) will be considerably less than the net appropriation for 1938.

We are deeply grateful to the superintendent of schools, to every teacher in the schools of Bellingham, to the members of the American Legion and to the members of the Parent Teacher Association for their untiring efforts in making the school year 1938 a truly educational one.

DANIEL J. BREEN,

Chairman.

REPORT Of The SUPERINTENDENT Of SCHOOLS

To the School Committee of Bellingham:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my first report as Superintendent of Schools. In view of the fact that I have been here but a short time, you will find that my report is brief yet I will endeavor to portray for you a true picture of your school system as obtained from my observations and I will also submit several recommendations.

As a result of the opening of the new high school, several additions and changes have been made in our teaching personnel.

In the South School:

Francis O'Mara of grade 7 replaced by J. Russell Coonan.

James Keough of Grade 6 replaced by Phyllis M. Baszner.

Frances Tyndall was appointed to teach Grade 5B.

At the North School:

Gertrude Quinlan teacher of special class replaced by Mary A. McDonald.

The following have been elected as teachers in the High School:

Lionel R. Trudeau, Principal
Winifred J. Dowd
Frances J. Ellis
James J. Keough
George F. Fitzpatrick
Helen A. Lyons
Harold J. Granger
Evelyn E. Pinardi
J. Francis O'Mara

Enrollment

Our total enrollment this year is 747 which is an increase of 24 pupils over last year's enrollment. We have in the High School 140 students as compared with 141 last year and 607 Elementary pupils as compared with 582 last year. The distribution of the Elementary pupils, however, is abnormal.

Last September in the South School in grades 4 and 5 we found the unusual situation in which we had 93 pupils for these two grades. In order to alleviate this condition and to reduce the teacher-pupil load, it was necessary to create grade 5B. In grade 6 in September we had 55 pupils. We found that it was necessary to break this up into two groups.

Due to the fact that the Community House has been condemned by the state authorities for school purposes,

we were obliged to discontinue having classes in that building. The two groups that were housed in that building were transferred to the new High School building.

Owing to the crowded conditions at the South School, we were obliged to transfer one class from here to the High School building so that with the opening of the new High School building in October, we had to place three classes of pupils into the new building. All available space at the South School is now being used with an overflow of three classes that are in the new High School.

Tests

Heretofore standardized tests have been given to the pupils in all the subjects throughout the grades. While I believe that the results of these tests are of some value, yet I question their reliability and validity. By the end of this school year we will have a course of study established which will be adapted to the needs and requirements of our community. Based upon this course of study, examinations will be given at the half-year mark and in June to all pupils in all the subjects in grades 4 to 8. I will prepare these tests with the assistance of the teachers. The results of these examinations will be subsequently interpreted, in such a way, as to find ways and means of improving construction.

Evening School

Instruction in citizenship and adult education is being offered two nights each week at the South School and at the North School. Many adults have taken advantage of this opportunity. Since the inception of the evening school

classes, many adults have been able to pass examinations leading to citizenship. Mr. Roy teaches at the South School and Mr. O'Mara at the North School. More people should take advantage of these classes. It may be of interest to mention that the state returns to the town 50% of all money expended toward evening schools.

Health

The health work of past years has been carried on as usual through our elementary schools and in addition, this same kind of work has been done in our new High School. The report of the District Nurse is embodied in this school report and should be read by all.

High School

The new High School building was formerly opened on October 24. It was to have been opened on the 10th but due to several factors, such as the hurricane and the truck strike, an unforeseen delay arose which necessitated our opening on the 24th instead of on the 10th, that is, two weeks later than had been previously planned.

In organizing a curriculum for the High School, we faced the realization that our High School pupils had attended two different high schools, that is, Milford and Franklin, where the curricula in those places were not identical; therefore, in preparing our own curriculum we found that it would be expedient, in so far as reasonably possible, to include all the subject matter offered in the above curricula so that our course of study would be so adapted as to offer to our pupils a continuance of the same subject matter that they had had in these other High Schools.

Our pupils are very fortunate in many ways in their present situation. I will endeavor to state a few of the advantages they are deriving at present. Most of them are returning to their homes at an earlier hour than formerly, thus giving them an opportunity for more recreation and other activities after school. They have the best and latest in text books and other working materials. They are able to participate more freely in extra-curricular activities. We have a work shop that is well equipped and well managed. We also have a household arts department which has the latest in equipment. In this department the pupils are taught foods and clothing. It is my earnest desire that more parents would avail themselves of the opportunity to visit this new school and to notice, in particular, the advantages offered in these two departments. The one outstanding advantage that the pupils have, is the fact that their classes are generally small and in this way they are capable of obtaining more individual instruction and attention from the teachers. In other words if a student is in a class of 20 pupils, he will get more individual instruction and time from the teacher than if he were in a class of 35 or 40 pupils.

A Glee Club has been organized at the High School by one of the faculty, Mr. O'Mara. We have asked Mr. David Gellatly, our supervisor of music, to organize a band. The enthusiasm in this runs high.

We have successfully built up a civic spirit among the High School students in which all of them take pride. I will suggest that you read very carefully the reports of the coaches in regards to athletic activities.

Scholarship

The scholarship in Bellingham is very good, yet there is room for improvement. I feel that it is my primary and most important duty as a Superintendent to try to improve instruction.

Much to my surprise when I came here, I observed that there was no course of study in any of the grades except for grades 7 and 8 in English. Since that time I have had several meetings with the teachers of the Elementary Schools and before the end of this school year I am quite certain that with the help of these teachers, a course of study will be prepared covering grades 3 through 8 for the schools of the entire town. The necessity for such a course of study is quite obvious, inasmuch as, we should at all times, strive to attain uniformity of instruction and see to it that all the teachers are informed as to the entirety of the subject matter in the schools.

Homework

Homework has been a much debated subject among educators within the last decade. There are two schools of thought on this subject. On one hand we have those who still believe that home assignments should be given as they always have been, in more or less large quantities, notwithstanding the social changes in every day life. The modern school of thought, on the other hand, in dealing with this subject has taken into consideration the ever changing modes of home life and have found it necessary to lessen the amount of homework, heretofore given and insist that this work be done in the schools under the proper supervision of the teacher.

Personally I feel that the ideal situation in the homes today for real concentration and study does not exist.

Every home today has its radio, its parties, social callers and other family group-activities, therefore, we must conclude that it is both unwise and unfair to expect the child to do from two to three hours of homework every night under such home conditions. A splendid situation for proper study in the home is a quiet room in which the child can isolate himself and in which he can do some real thinking. In all fairness to ourselves and to the children, this ideal condition does not exist today. The only alternative left for us is to have the teachers devote the latter part of each recitation period to what is known as "supervised study". Of course, the amount of time set aside for this supervised study is contingent upon the nature of the subject matter. During this period of time the pupils are to begin to do their homework with the guidance and assistance of the teachers. The pupils avail themselves of every opportunity to ask innumerable questions pertaining to the subject matter. In this way the pupils obtain individual help from their teachers. The amount of time given over to supervised study is so arranged that by the time the recitation period is over, each pupil will have accomplished at least $\frac{1}{3}$ of his homework for the next day. When this individual goes home at the end of the school day, he realizes that at least $\frac{1}{3}$ of his homework has been completed with the assistance of his teacher; this in itself is an incentive to the child to complete his homework by himself.

Recommendations

In making tours of the various buildings, I have made several observations that are worthy of note; therefore, I would like to recommend the following:

I recommend that a single heating unit be placed in the South School instead of the five furnaces that we have at present. It would mean considerable saving in the amount of fuel being used.

I recommend that the plumbing and toilet facilities at the South School be renovated.

I recommend that the flag pole at the South School be repaired.

I recommend that some playground equipment be set up at the three grammar schools in order to improve the recreational facilities.

I recommend that the yard at the rear of the Center School be graded.

Thirty-three new window shades were installed in the various schools. The hurricane did considerable damage to school property. As a result of which, a new flag pole had to be set up at the Center School, the entire roof of the Center School had to be reshingled and over \$200 was spent to repair the roof at the South School. About thirty window panes were broken.

In spite of the fact that I have been here but a short time, I have been pleased with the attitude of parents, teachers and pupils toward me. The teachers have been very loyal and cooperative and may I say that their task is not the easiest one. In conclusion I want to express my most sincere appreciation and gratitude to the members of the School Committee, citizens of the community, teachers, Parent Teachers' Association, nurses and all others who have in any way assisted me in my supervisory capacity.

Respectfully submitted,

JULES I. PHILIE,

Superintendent.

TOWN OF BELLINGHAM

GRADUATION

TOWN HALL

THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1938

At 2 o'clock

PROGRAM

March	Bunny Parade	Van Norman
Waltz	Summer Days	Van Norman
Processional	Trumpet Call	Zamecnik
Invocation	Rev. C. E. Chamberlain	
Address of Welcome	John Kozak	
Overture	Columbia	Zamecnik
Class Prophecy—South	Romeo Sweek	
North	Lenore deJony	
Grandfather's Clock	Work	
Class Will—North	Janet Brown	
South	Jennie Bokoski	
Presentation of Essay Awards	Edward W. Reid, Rep. of the American Legion	
Cradle Song	Brahms	
Address to Graduates	Mr. Arthur Rudman	
Introduced by Mr. John Gotschall, Supt. of Schools		
Presentation of Diplomas		
A member of the School Committee		
Forget-Me-Not	Giese	
Benediction		
Reception to Graduates		

Bellingham Eighth Grade Graduates 1938

Norman E. Belcher	Claire R. Guyette
Janet D. Brown	Shirley M. Hunter
Helen M. Buckley	John Kozak
William V. Buckley	William J. LeBlanc
Wyman H. Cook	Eugene E. Lemire
Lenore deJony	Kadzemiez S. Michalowski
Irene A. Drapeau	Frances G. Naughton
Claire L. Fitzpatrick	Emile Pouliot
Mary M. Foley	George W. Sarakin

Murielle M. A. Belisle	Fernand R. Croteau
Normand O. Belisle	Anita C. Debigare
Vivienne L. Belisle	Dorimene M. T. Guilbeault
Rina D. Bernier	Wilfred H. Larochelle
Jennie B. Bokoski	Aldora R. A. Lataille
Rena J. Bouvier	Woodrow V. Levesque
Lucille D. Brisson	Anita D. LeVitre
Lucien A. Brunetti	Helen A. Lizotte
Harold C. Cameron	Robert O. Mercure
Alice C. Carrier	John M. Morris
Edward Chamberland	Remeo R. Sweek
Juliette Y. Collamati	Roland J. Trottier
Romeo A. Collamati	Robert E. Trudel

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mr. Jules I. Philie,
Superintendent of Schools,
Bellingham, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Philie:

The following is my first report as Principal of the Bellingham High School for the period, October 24-December 31, 1938.

On October 24, the opening day, there registered in our high school 140 pupils, 70 girls and 70 boys. We have 47 freshmen, 40 sophomores, 34 juniors, and 19 seniors.

Simultaneously with our entrance into the new high school, appreciation for which I sincerely express, there appeared a spirit of cooperation and good-will which has permeated our every endeavor. Our regular academic program as well as our extra-curricular activities has been carried forward with determination and enthusiasm.

With our new building and its many conveniences it is possible to carry on work without the limitations ordinarily encountered. Our whole student-body is able to attend school as a unit and to meet for assembly at one time. Each teacher is able to conduct his classes without the disadvantage of supervising a study-group at the same time. Our one-session system enables us to utilize a longer school day, there being six periods for regular school work, and one activity period, averaging 40 minutes in length, with each teacher in school every afternoon for the purpose of assisting pupils who need special help.

Our auditorium-gymnasium furnishes opportunities for many activities which would otherwise be impossible. For example, a large number of our pupils, boys and girls, are members of our basketball teams. Also, we are able, through our dramatic club, public-speaking club, glee club, italian club, etc., to provide splendid opportunities for our pupils to acquire valuable and pleasant experiences.

The program of studies in Bellingham High School consists of three courses, the college course, the commercial course, and the general course. For information as to the constitution of these courses—required subjects and elective subjects—I refer you to the outline which supplements this report.

Our school activities, apart from the regular studies, are being carried along very successfully. The school paper, "The Student Voice" is meeting with appreciation and praise in our school, our town, and in neighboring schools and communities. The members of the dramatic club, glee club, italian club, and public-speaking club are doing serious work and they will be given an opportunity to demonstrate their ability before the public in the near future. The athletic coaches will, in their reports, inform the public of the activities of their teams.

We look forward confidently to securing an A—standing from the Massachusetts State Board of Education. Certainly the unrelenting efforts and unquestionable ability of each and every teacher in our high school deserve no less. We also look forward to being on the accredited list

of the New England College Entrance Examination Board, a rating which will allow any of our graduates with a grade of 85% in all subjects studied, freedom of entrance without examination, to any of the twelve New England colleges or universities.

The high school building, in addition to the 140 pupils aforementioned, houses three other groups, two sixth grades and one special class. These latter pupils constitute a unit entirely separate from that of the high school. They are, however, afforded certain special conveniences, outstanding among which are the conveniences of our Household and Practical Arts departments for members of the special class. The program for these groups is, naturally, entirely different from that of the high school group both as to subject matter and time schedule. This unlikeness has failed to produce its normal effect of confusion, because of the efficiency of all the teachers and because of the reasonableness of all the pupils in the building.

An aspect of our school program which I should like to mention at this time is our student council. The student council is a democratic body made up of pupils from the different classes. This body formulates certain regulations governing the conduct of pupils between periods and after the school day proper. It also appoints marshals whose duty it is to enforce the regulations and to prefer charges against transgressors. The council then, sitting as a jury with the chairman of the council as judge, hear the charges, deliberates, and pronounce judgement. The members of the council and marshals are to be congratulated inasmuch

as their actions have been characterized at all times by forcefulness and results.

The success of our school at this initial stage is largely due to the cooperation which we receive from the townspeople. Their moral and financial support serves as a splendid inspiration to the faculty and students.

In conclusion, I express my gratitude to the School Committee, the Superintendent, the members of the faculty, the special supervisors, the student body and the janitor for their wholehearted support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

LIONEL R. TRUDEAU,

Principal.

BELLINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL
Program of Studies 1938-1939

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COLLEGE COURSE			GENERAL COURSE		
FRESHMAN			COMMERCIAL COURSE		
Required	Credits	Required	Credits	Required	Credits
English I	5	English I	5	English I	5
Algebra I	5	History or Civics	5	History or Civics	5
Elective		Bus. Arithmetic	5	General Science	5
Latin I	5	General Science	5		
General Science	5				
History	5				

COLLEGE COURSE			GENERAL COURSE		
SOPHOMORE			COMMERCIAL COURSE		
Required	Credits	Required	Credits	Required	Credits
English II	5	English II	5	English II	5
Plane Geometry	5	Bookkeeping	5		
*French I	5	Typewriting I	2½		
Elective					
Latin II	5	Economic Geog.	5		
Biology	5	Biology	5		
History	5	History	5		
Typewriting I	2½	French I	5		
Italian I	5	Italian I	5		

COLLEGE COURSE			COMMERCIAL COURSE			GENERAL COURSE		
JUNIORS								Credits
Required	Credits	Required	Credits	Required	Credits	Required	Credits	Credits
English III-IV	5	English III-IV	5	English III-IV	5	English III-IV	5	5
*French II	5	U. S. History	5	U. S. History	5	U. S. History	5	5
**Physics or Chem.	5	Shorthand	5	Typewriting II	2½	Elective		
U. S. History	5	Elective		Elective		Advanced Shop	2½	
Elective						Home Making	5	
Latin III	5	French II	5	French II	5	French II	5	
Typewriting II	2½	Italian I	5	Typewriting		Typewriting	2½	
Italian I	5			Physics or Chem.		Physics or Chem.	5	

COLLEGE COURSE			COMMERCIAL COURSE			GENERAL COURSE		
SENIORS								Credits
Required	Credits	Required	Credits	Required	Credits	Required	Credits	Credits
English III-IV	5	English III-IV	5	English III-IV	5	English III-IV	5	5
Guidance	2	Guidance	2	Guidance	2	Guidance	2	2
Elective		Stenography II		Stenography III		Elective		
French III	5	Typewriting III		Typewriting III		Advanced Shop	2½	
Latin IV	5	Elective		Elective		Home Making	5	
Math. III-IV	5	Office Practice		Office Practice	2½	Typewriting	2½	
Problems of Dem.	5	Economics		Economics	2½	Economics	2½	
Physics or Chem.	5	French III		French III	5	French III	5	
Mechanical Draw.		2½				Mechanical Draw.	2½	
Typewriting III		2½				Problems of Dem.	5	
						Physics or Chem.	5	

* In case Latin is elected, French is not required.

** Given in alternating years.

Special activities such as band, orchestra, glee clubs, dramatics, school paper, year book, gym classes, and athletics are open to every member of the school. Activities may be selected when school opens, and each will count $\frac{1}{2}$ credit if taken during the entire year.

No more than $1\frac{1}{2}$ credits gained from the pursuit of extra-curricular activities will be allowed toward graduation in any one year.

Eighty (80) credits must be earned before a pupil can graduate.

At least twenty (20) credits must be taken every year.

A pupil may take more than twenty-four (24) credits **ONLY** with the approval of the principal.

REPORT OF GIRLS' ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Mr. Jules I. Philie,
Superintendent of Schools,
Bellingham, Mass.

Dear Sir:

Recreation is play, and activity which refreshes because it has the faculty of diverting attention from all else. Play does not outlaw any form of work; it may involve the expenditure of considerable energy. It is work, however, from which we secure only enjoyment, not in the satisfaction of its completion, but in the satisfaction of participation. There are many types of recreation, but we are concerned with that most refreshing, most diverting and re-creating form of real play—sport.

The sole purpose of a school sports program is not to afford recreation. The aims are many: Healthful activity, resulting in stronger bodies; social contacts which necessitate cooperation and team work, building desirable character traits; intra-mural competition, fostering school spirit; individual sports for use after school years. If students consider sports to be a form of recreation and engage in them voluntarily, our aims are easily accomplished.

At Bellingham High School we have, therefore, made our sports program one of voluntary participation.

To date the main activity has been the one intra-mural sport in which the girls will engage—basketball. Much enthusiasm has been shown, with about twenty-five girls turning out four afternoons week for practice. Two teams have been organized and a complete schedule of games arranged as follows:

January 4	—Medfield	.....	Here
January 11	—Hopkinton	....	Here
January 13	—Hopkinton	....	There
January 17	—Medfield	.....	There
January 18	—Holliston	....	There
January 25	—Franklin	.....	There
February 1	—Holliston	....	Here
February 3	—Wrentham	....	There
February 10	—Franklin	.....	Here
February 14	—Medway	....	There
February 17	—Medway	....	Here
February 24	—Upton	.....	There
February 28	—Upton	.....	Here

Particular pride has been manifested in the basketball suits, designed in the school colors and made under the supervision of Miss Ellis in her Household Arts Department.

Basketball practice for next year's prospective players and class games will continue for a short while after the season's end on February 28.

The program for the remainder of the year includes indoor tennis, volleyball, and baseball. Volleyball and tennis will be featured during March and April, after which time baseball will start.

A definite schedule of intra-mural games will be made for the baseball season, teams being made up from the four classes. If neighboring schools are interested in meeting Bellingham High, the best players will be selected from each class team to represent us in a varsity team.

We are certain that each girl will interest herself in at least one sport and that the majority of girls will participate in all.

The girls are to be complimented upon the fine spirit of sportsmanship and cooperation they have shown, both losing and winning. We shall make the aim of Bellingham High School: A sport for every girl, every girl in a sport, and every girl a good sport.

Respectfully submitted,

WINIFRED J. DOWD,

Coach of Girls.

REPORT OF BOYS' ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

To Mr. Jules I. Philie, Superintendent:

As a teacher of bookkeeping, it is only fitting that I should make out my part of this report in the form of a balance sheet:

The Assets

Cooperation of the school committee, superintendent, Mr. Trudeau, and teachers.

Very satisfactory facilities for basketball.

Well brought up children.

The Liabilities

Lack of Outdoor facilities.

Lack of Gymnasium facilities at the beginning of the school year.

Inexperienced material for our athletic teams.

It is my belief that every student should have the opportunity to build himself up physically as well as mentally. A healthy body is just as important as a developed mind. Supervised athletic activity not only builds the pupil up physically but teaches him self-control, how to lose gracefully, and how to win like a gentlemen. It uses up his surplus energy, keeps him out of mischief, and is conducive to a clean mind. Sports, especially those involving physical contact, teach him how to take care of himself.

To this end, I have tried not only to develop a winning team for Bellingham; but to teach them the right way to play the game. As often as possible, I hold practice for what is termed the "B" squad—all the boys who did not succeed in making the team. These boys are given a chance to learn how to play the game and at the same time get good wholesome recreation. For these boys, there will be inter-class games and if possible, a few games with outside opponents.

In basketball, our experienced material consisted of one player from Franklin's second team. Our boys were, therefore, starting from scratch. Considering that most of their opponents had been playing under supervision since grade school, the fact that we won at all or even played close games is a great tribute to the ability of our boys to learn quickly. The home training of the boys made the establishment of discipline which is so necessary to athletic squads comparatively easy.

In our outdoor activities, we will be greatly handicapped by the lack of an adequate playing surface for either baseball or football. We hope to obtain a nearby diamond for baseball. Our baseball team will probably be a little more successful than our basketball team. However, within a very few years, Bellingham will have teams in baseball, basketball, and football that will hold their own with any school of its size in this section.

Football is a relatively expensive sport, but one that should be established as soon as possible. It is looked upon as the greatest character-builder of any games. Our boys will be far better off when they are having supervised practice in proper equipment. This past fall, they could be seen in fields scrimmaging with no equipment and very little knowledge in self-protection. Boys are going to play football no matter what obstacles are placed before them. It is our duty to see that they are properly equipped and are taught to do it the right way—the safe way.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the School Committee, the Superintendent, Mr. Trudeau, and the teachers for their fine cooperation. I wish to thank the patrons of our athletic contests for lightening our financial burden.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE FITZPATRICK,

Coach.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

To. Mr. Jules I. Philie,
Superintendent of Schools,
Bellingham, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my second annual report for the year ending December 31, 1938.

The singing in the primary grades is very good, and I find that there are fewer monotones than in the classes of last year. Among the third and fourth grade pupils there is an increasing interest shown in musical theory.

In grades five to eight there are some very good voices, and the children seem to thoroughly understand the theoretical part of the work.

At the graduation exercises, the instrumental music was furnished by players from the three Grammar Schools, and was very satisfactory. The success of this was due in a large measure to the enthusiasm of the children and the hearty cooperation of the principals and teachers.

Since the beginning of November, we have conducted weekly orchestra rehearsals at the High School building, combining the players of the North and South Grammar Schools and the High School. The results have been highly gratifying.

I wish to thank you, the school committee, the principals, and all of the teachers for the interest shown in the musical work of the schools.

Sincerely yours,
DAVID N. GELLATLY,
Supervisor of Music.

BELLINGHAM SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT for 1938

To Mr. Jules Philie, Superintendent of Schools:

May I present to you the annual report of school nursing done in Bellingham for the year ending December 31, 1938.

The Milford District Nurses have just completed their twelfth year as school nurses of Bellingham.

Two days a week were spent in school nursing, either in the schools or visiting the homes in behalf of school children. Monday afternoon in North Bellingham, Wednesday afternoon in Bellingham Center, and all day Friday in South Bellingham is the regular schedule. This has not been entirely adhered to this past year, as the different school clinics interrupt this routine to some extent.

In January, sixteen children were given a complete physical examination, the last step in the School Chest Clinic program which was started in December of 1937. These children, all suspicious or contact cases of tuberculosis, were examined by Dr. Pillsbury from the Norfolk County Hospital in Braintree.

In February and March numerous home visits were made to obtain histories on retarded pupils, in preparation for the mental testing of these children by doctors from Foxboro.

Preceding the Diphtheria Clinic of March 28, home visits were made to explain the need for the treatment, in an attempt to have every Bellingham school child protected against this disease. The Board of Health, as in the past four years, offered a series of three clinic treatments. Ninety-four children were given the three protective dosages.

The school children were weighed and measured twice last year, in the fall and again in the spring. Throughout the year the pupils were given general inspections for cleanliness, inspected for disease, and health talks were given to classes. The following is a summary of this work.

Cleanliness inspections, 814; classroom inspections, 36; inspections for disease, 616; pupils excluded as suspicious, 22; pupils advised, 162; pupils given first aid treatments, 12; health talks to classes, 78; talks with teachers, 171; home visits regarding pupils, 200.

In June, just before the close of school, teeth tags were given to pupils as awards to those who gave their teeth the needed care throughout the year.

Although the teachers are responsible for the testing of the eyes and ears of the school children, and send notices of defects home to parents, the nurse checks on the correction of these defects by home visits.

Four children were transported to a Worcester Eye Clinic for examinations and fitted to glasses.

A young girl, who was a contact to a case of tuberculosis and was found suspicious of the disease at the school chest clinic, was sent to a preventorium camp at South Braintree for the summer. The expenses were paid by the Christmas Seal Sale money.

Forty-six pre-school visits were made last summer to children due to enter school in September. Parents were urged to have these children vaccinated early, to have their family doctor examine them and to have possible defects corrected before entering school.

Throughout the summer home visits were made to check on the correction of defects found by Dr. Heavey. Quite a number of these were corrected before school opened in September.

A dental clinic in charge of Dr. Fielding from the Worcester County Extension Service was opened September 12 at the South Bellingham School. This clinic was in session twenty-eight days.

The following is a summary of the work accomplished at this clinic.

At South Bellingham 136 children were treated. There were 114 cleanings, 321 fillings, 134 extractions and 119 had their work completed.

At Bellingham Center 69 children were treated. There were 72 cleanings, 218 fillings, 115 extractions and 62 children had their work finished.

At North Bellingham 62 children received care. There were 56 cleanings, 168 fillings, 31 extractions and 59 mouths completed.

A chest film was shown to the High, South and North pupils on November 10, preceding the annual chest clinic.

The clinic opened November 18. 125 pupils and 4 teachers were skin tested, and 76 of these and 3 teachers were x-rayed. This clinic if for the early detection of tuberculosis among our Junior High and High School pupils.

The annual physical examinations, done by Dr. Heavey, assisted by Miss Edwards, were started at South School, November 23.

The following is a summary of the defects found. Enlarged tonsils, 165; enlarged tonsils and adenoids, 21; enlarged glands, 42; enlarged thyroid gland, 1; discharging ears, 3; anemia, 15; poor nutrition, 11; fallen arches, 7; poor posture, 12; dry skin, 14; wax in ears, 2; spinal curvature, 1; defective teeth, 135; inflamed eyelids, 1.

The following diseases were reported and investigated throughout the school year. Whooping cough, measles, chicken-pox, a suspicious case of scarlet-fever, and suspicious cases of german measles. Scabies, a skin disease, was also reported and checked.

In closing may I thank our former superintendent, Mr. Gotschall, and Mr. Philie for their cooperation; the teachers for their interest and help; the school committee and other town officials for their aid; the South Bellingham Parent Teachers Association and the Center and North Red Cross for helping the nurses in so many different ways; and the parents for their confidence and support.

Respectfully submitted,

ANN EDWARDS,

School Nurse.

HELEN C. GRADY,

Supervisor.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I wish to submit my report of work done by me as School Physician for the Town of Bellingham during the year 1938.

The following is a summary of defects found at the time of the physical examinations at the South School, Community Building and High School:

Enlarged Tonsils	165
Enlarged Tonsils and Adenoids	21
Enlarged Glands in Neck	42
Discharging Ears	3
Anacmia	15
Poor Nutrition	11
Enlarged Thyvoid Glands	1
Fallen Arches	7
Poor Posture	12
Cerumen in Ears	2
Spinal Curvature	1
Defective Teeth	135
Inflamed Eyelids	1

I examined the first, fourth, and eighth grades stripped to the waist, with shoes and stockings removed. The other grades received a general inspection.

The physicals were not all finished in 1938. The Center and North Schools were done in January 1939 and the report of these will have to go over to next year.

There has been a decided improvement in the children's mouths owing to the work done in the Dental Clinic. I have found that those children with defective teeth have as a rule enlarged glands in the neck, and a foul odor from their breaths.

The opening of the High School has increased the number of children to be examined.

I wish to thank the School Nurse for her efficient co-operation during my examination of the children.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. HEAVEY, M. D.,
School Physician.

REPORT OF THE SOUTH BELLINGHAM PARENT TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION, 1938

The South Bellingham Parent Teacher's Association has had a very successful and interesting year. Since the High School has been completed, we have been holding our meetings there, and our membership has increased with the addition of the High School teachers.

We have sponsored numerous whist parties and food sales as a means of making money for our treasury.

A generous donation was made to the dental clinic.

Sunshine baskets and flowers have been sent to the sick and shut-ins throughout the year, also glasses and shoes have been furnished to some of the needy children.

A needy family was supplied with milk and dental work was done for one of the children.

We made capes for the girls for the doctor's examination.

We have had some very interesting speakers and singers on our programs.

We wish to thank most sincerely our school nurses, Miss Grady and Miss Edwards for their untiring work in

helping the Parent Teacher's Association. We also wish to thank Mr. McCarthy, the school janitor for the many favors.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) MARY COOK,

President.

(Miss) CHILISTINE NEGROTTI,

Vice-President.

(Mrs.) ELIZABETH WHITING,

Secretary.

(Mrs.) HELEN WHIPPLE,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE
HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

January 20, 1939.

To the Citizens of the Town of Bellingham:

I hereby submit my report on the work accomplished by the Bellingham High School Building Committee during the year 1938. The school has been occupied since October 24 and at the present time the building is complete with the exception of a few minor details such as furnishings. These details ought to be ironed out within a space of a few weeks; following this, the building will be formally accepted.

Out of the total sum of \$109,091 which includes a federal grant and a town appropriation, we find that after the building is formally accepted there will still be a small balance left in our building fund.

The citizens of the community ought to take pride in knowing that the committee has not exceeded the amount appropriated, for the erection of this new building.

May I take this opportunity to sincerely thank all the past and present members of the committee for their untiring efforts and hearty cooperation.

Respectfully submitted .

RENE R. BERARD,

Chairman High School Building Committee.

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